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Blue Arrow advisers guilty after £35m trial



Stainforth: acquitted of conspiracy to defraud

BY BILL FROST AND MATTHEW BOND

FOUR former City advisers to the Blue Arrow employment agency were yesterday convicted of conspiracy to defraud at the end of an Old Bailey trial that lasted more than a year and cost an estimated £35 million. A fifth man was acquitted.

The hearing was adjourned until Monday when Mr Justice Me-Kinnon is expected to pass sentence. All four remain on bail.

The jury was told that the four men deliberately misled the market it the time of Blue Arrow's record £837 million rights issue so that the recruitment group could take over Manpower, a larger American employment company. The conspira-tors concealed vital information which showed that the rights issue of

shares had been "a flop".

Chichester Rents, the Old Bailey annexe, was converted into courtrooms especially for the 187-day hearing. Jury members were esti-mated to have received about £15,000 each in attendance allowances and monthly fees for each legal team are thought to have reached about £100.000.

The four men found guilty on unanimous verdicts were: Jonathan Cohen, aged 48, deputy chief executive of NatWest Investment Band and chief executive of County Nat-West at the time of the rights issue; David Reed, aged 44, former executive and managing director of cor-porate finance at County NatWest; Nicholas Wells, aged 37, former County NatWest executive director and a former member of the corporate advisory department; and Martin Gibbs, aged 62, former director of UBS Phillips & Drew Christo-

director of UB\$ Phillips & Drew corporate finance, was acquitted.

The convictions will come as a relief in a week of mixed fortunes for the Serious Fraud Office and Barbara Mills, its outgoing head and director-designate of public prosecutions. The verdicts followed a direction by the judge for the jury to acquit three corporate defendants and two other City advisers. The collapse of the second Guinness trial caused the office some embarrassment, but the case against Peter Clowes produced a conviction and ten-year jail sentence.

The Blue Arrow events were symptomatic of how competitive the City of London had become after Big Bang in 1986. For a comparatively new operation such as County NatWest, the Blue Arrow rights issue was a unique opportunity to deal in the corporate finance big

Blue Arrow's stockbroker, the stakes were almost as high. The rights issue ran into trouble quite unexpectedly. however, as the stock market began to show signs of weakness.

On the evening of September 27. 1987, the rights issue deadline, the Blue Arrow advisers met to hear how it had fared. The news was disastrous: only 38 per cent of the issue had been taken up. If the huge rump of the issue passed to underwriters, both County and NatWest faced huge bills and a considerable loss of reputation. The advisers decided the only alternative was to persuade the City that the issue had been a success, which would enable the remaining shares to be placed with institutions eager to buy what they believed was a well-supported stock. What was needed was a rights issue take-up of nearer 50 per cent. The jury was told that the advisers

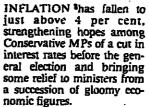
after the deadline passed. In just a few hours, the rights issue had become a comparative success, but every institution that subsequently bought shares did so in the belief that the take-up had been 48.9 per cent. The market had been misled. Prices slumped, however, after the stock market crash in October 1987 and the secret investment had to be

accounted for.
Nicholas Purnell, QC, who led the Serious Fraud Office prosecution team, said the conspiracy amounted to the "most arrogant disregard for market practices ... These men, confronted by the failure of the issue and the loss of reputation decided the solution was to chear. They set out to rig the market." Defence lawyers argued that the men were legitimately supporting their client.

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Inflation fall gives ministers a boost

BY PHILLP WEBSTER CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT



Yesterday's good news on prices, with a bigger than expected drop from 4.5 per cent to 4.1 per cent in January, was marred, however, by another round of bleak production figures. Manufacturing output fell 1.2 per cent between the third and fourth quarters of last year with a total drop of 5 per cent over the year. It has now fallen for six consecutive quarters.

Yesterday's figures came in possessions and company osses. But they led Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, to declare that victory over inflation was in sight.

John Smith, his Labour shadow, said that the drop in inflation had been bought at the price of recession and soaring unemployment. Inflation, he added, was being suppressed rather than de-

The fall in inflation was helped by heavy price cuts in Continued on page 16, col 8 Recession deepens, page 17





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RURAL RITUAL



Suffolk-dweller Neil Lyndon laments an annual invasion **Weekend Times**

Ukraine defiant at Minsk summit

Yeltsin struggles to stop collapse of Soviet army

FROM BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW AND ROBERT SEELY IN MINSK

HOPES of keeping together the armed forces of the former Soviet Union were fading last night as Ukraine clashed with Russia over its insistence on keeping virtually all its troops separate from any unified command.

Tass reported yesterday that six Russian crews of the former Soviet air force have delected from Ukraine with their aircraft rather than take an oath to defend the newly independent state. The aircraft, none of them armed, from an air base near

> Scandal hits Japan

Prosecutors in Japan arrested four businessmen allegedly involved in a new

scandal. The arrests followed raids on the homes of former executives of Sagawa Kyubin, a delivery group, in another scandal involving Inagawa-kai, the country's second-biggest gangster outfit Page 11

City lights Sunderland has been

made Britain's newest city by order of the Queen, to mark the 40th anniversary of her accession to the

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Starokonstantinov and landed in neighbouring Belorus-sia, Tass said. They contimued to a base outside Moscow. "The planes did not have their armaments, but the pilots brought with them their regimental banner," the news agency said. Relations between the re-

publics were further poisoned by a threat from Aleksandr Rutskoi, the Russian vicepresident, to take harsh economic sanctions against any states that discriminated against ethnic Russians.

President Yeltsin's deputy. strident conservative who on Thursday was given new responsibilities for agriculture in the hope of neutralising his attacks on the government, also described as criminal his own administration's economic policies.

Speaking to ITN yesterday morning, he said: "A government that cannot feeds its people, where school children are going hungry, and old people have to rummage through dustbins for food ... is criminal and should be put on trial."

While the Russian government is technically headed by Boris Yeltsin himself, Mr Rutskoi appeared to be di-recting his attack at the cabinet and its day-to-day managers of government policy, such as the deputy prime minister, Yegor Gaidar.

In Minsk, after a day of confused negotiations. Ukraine and at least two other states - Moldavia and Azerbaijan - appeared adamant in their refusal to merge their newly created forces in a single defensive unit.

The chairman of an increasingly influential council of army officers deplored the poor results of yesterday's meeting. Captain Aleksandr Mochaikin said no decisions on the legal status of servicemen, or on how officers would be divided up between the new republican armies had been taken. Nor was there any consensus on the joint defence budget, or on the vital question of the powers of the commonwealth commander. As a way of shoring up some semblance of unity. the republican leaders were considering a set of contradictory proposals from Kazakhstan's president, Nursultan Nazar-

bayev, which sought to put

some limits on the break-up

of the Soviet military. Under the Kazakh plan, the army would be split among the republics, only to come together again on a voluntary basis. "All armed forces will be transferred to the jurisdiction of the republics, and then they could form a united force," said a Kazakh spokesman. A working group of Russia, Armenia, Belorussia and Central Asia, was looking

at the Kazakh ideas, one version of which appeared to be acceptable to the summit's nost, the Belorussian leader, Stanislav Shushkevich. principle of unified frontier troops appeared particularly galling to the more independence-minded republics.

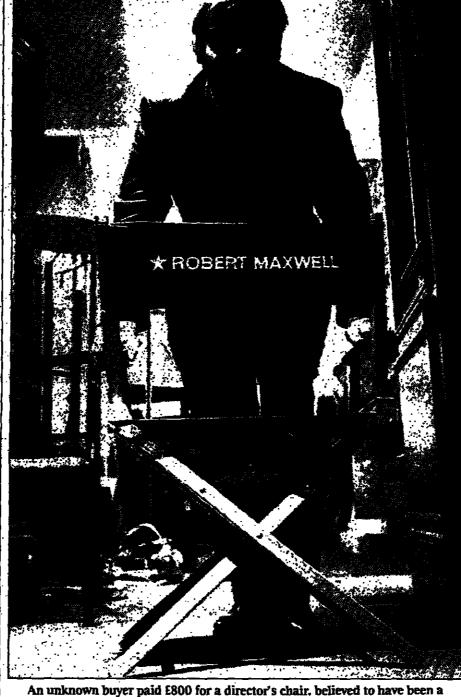
which argued that this was a characteristic of a single state. Mr Shushkevich favours an independent Belorussian army, but also supports the idea of a unified command during at least the transitionat period of two years. Yesterday's meetings were orderly but it was clear that

Ukraine was moving towards the sidelines of the Commonwealth of Independent States. As a state with at least 176 long-range missile sites, it has little choice but to honour its obligation to remain within the commonwealth umbrella for the purpose of strategic nuclear forces. But Ukrainian participation in any coalition of conventional forces looked remote. Kiev officials said exit from the commonwealth was only a matter of time unless trade, debt and currency disputes were resolved.

Ukraine is running desper-ately short of Russian timber and oil and production in many factories has slipped to half of normal levels. Unless either a bilateral or commonwealth deal can deal with these problems, "there is little hope for the commonwealth." according to one aide of the Ukrainian president, Leonid Kravchuk. It looked uncertain whether a scheduled Yeltsin-Kravchuk meeting

would take place today. The leaders who assembled yesterday were presented with 12 documents prepared by working groups which were supposed to lay the founda-tions for a unified commonwealth military command.

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An unknown buyer paid £800 for a director's chair, believed to have been a gift from the White House, at the auction of contents from the tycoon Robert Maxwell's London flat. Scandal suite, page 2, Tabloid bids, page 10

Anti-hunting bill is beaten amid uproar in Commons

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

AN ATTEMPT to outlaw fox-hunting was narrowly defeated yesterday as Conservative MPs, including most of the cabiner, voted down a private member's bill after an emotional Commons debate. Kevin McNamara's Wild Mammals (Protection) Bill, which has been at the centre

of a vigorous campaign by the pro and anti hunting lobbies, was refused a second reading by 187 votes to 175, a majority of 12, after a free vote.

The result was received in near-uproar by one of the biggest Friday attendances in recent years, with clapping from the public gallery and cries of "shame" from the bill's supporters.

The outcome was so close

that few believe the argument has been settled. The Labour front-bench gave its strongest commitment to ban fox-hunt-

ing if elected. Twenty six Conservative MPs, including two ministers and two whips, supported Mr McNamara, MP for Hull North who is the shadow Northern Ireland secretary. His bill would have banned hunting with hounds of foxes. stags and hares, and outlawed snares used by game-

keepers to control pests. The prime minister was not in the Commons but the cabinet vote turned out to be decisive. Those who opposed the bill were Michael Heseltine, environment secchancellor, John Wakeham, energy secretary. Kenneth Clarke, health secretary, John Gummer, agriculture minis-ter, Michael Howard, employment secretary, Peter Lilley, industry secretary. Malcolm Rifkind, transport secretary, Tom King, defence secretary, David Hunt, Welsh secretary, William Walde-grave, health secretary, Peter Brooke, Northern Ireland secretary, and Ian Lang, Scottish secretary. Two Liberal Democrats, Alan Beith and Menzies Campbell, opposed the bill.

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Hiroshima shattered spirits of Hitler scientists

By Nigel Hawkes SCIENCE EDITOR

SECRET recordings of Hitler's nuclear scientists, made when they were prisoners of war in England in 1945, reveal that they were shattered and appailed when they heard the news of the bombing of Hiroshima.

The recordings, made at Farm Hall, near Cambridge, in August 1945, were released yesterday by the Public Records Office, after repre-sentations from the presidents of the Royal Society and the British Acade-

my. They will provide priceless evidence in the long argument over why the Germans failed to make a bomb. The transcripts show that, at first, the scientists refused to believe what

they had been told. Once convinced. "dinner and tell the others. The news their reactions varied. Several, including Otto Hahn and Karl-Friedrich von Weizäcker, expressed relief that the Germans had not got the bomb first. Walther Gerlach, who ran the German research effort, went to his room, lay on the bed and sobbed. He had to be discouraged from attempting suicide.

Hahn, the co-discoverer of nuclear fission, was the first to be told. The intelligence officer responsible. Major Hugh Rittner, records: "He was completely shattered, and said that he felt personally responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of people." Hahn was so upset that Rittner had to ply him with alcohol before he was calm enough to go into

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was greeted with incredulity. Werner Heisenberg said: "All I can suggest is that some dilettante in America who knows little about it has bluffed them in saying If you drop this, it will have the equivalent of 20.000 tonnes of TNT, and, in reality, it doesn't work at all." Hahn replied: "At any rate, Heisenberg, you're just second-raters and you may as well pack up." Hei-

senberg said: "I quite agree. Von Weizäcker said that he thought the bombing was madness. Heisenberg responded: "One can't say that. One could equally well say that's the quickest way of ending the war." Hahn agreed. "That's what consoles me," he said.

The scientists went on to discuss

whether they could have made the bomb if they had tried harder. Hei-senberg said that he had never thought they could, and "at the bottom of my heart. I was really glad". Von Weizäcker said: "If we had started this business soon enough, we could have got somewhere. We might have had the luck to complete it in the winter of 1944-5." Karl Wirtz responded: "The result would have been that we would have obliterated London and still not have conquered the world, and then they vould have dropped them on us." Von Weizäcker made the same

point: "One can say that it might have been a much greater tragedy for the world if Germany had had the Continued on page 16, col 1

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Sunderland casts off ailing past to win city status

SUNDERLAND, the former shipbuilding town in the North-East now better known for its links with Nissan, the Japanese car maker, yesterday became Britain's newest

Sunderland beat 22 rivals to receive the honour, granted on the personal command of the Queen as a mark of special distinction to celebrate the 40th anniversary of her accession to the throne.

The new city, population 296,100, has been trying for 60 years to achieve that status and has been turned down four times. Yesterday's announcement means that it will no longer live in the shadow of its more dominant neighbour, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Local dignitaries celebrated with a champagne toast and flag-

the modern civic centre. They intend to invite the Queen to pay an official visit.

David Thompson, the mayor, said: "I can hardly believe it. It hasn't sunk in properly yet. The effect on the people of Sunderland will be immeasurable and the impact on the image of Sunderland throughout the world will be

Sunderland, birthplace in the seventh century of the Venerable Bede and, in 1828, of Joseph Swan, inventor of the electric light, was the biggest of 14 towns formally invited last summer to put themselves forward for the honour of city status. Others also sent in

The Labour-run council based its application on the town's contribution to national life, and The birthplace of the electric light bulb and the Venerable Bede has been given new cause to celebrate at the expense of 22 rivals, Peter Davenport writes

emphasised its new found prosperity after the despair brought about by the collapse of the shipbuilding industry on the River Wear.

In its formal application it said: "Sunderland is proud of its past and of the way it has never succumbed to the fierce extremes of economic adversity which have so often been its historic lot. After a decade or so of painful reconstruction. Sunderland's economy and environment have been transformed, an achievement of almost miraculous proportions.

Nissan's decision to set up a car

manufacturing plant in 1984 was the catalyst for economic regeneration. The current workforce is 3,400. due to rise to 4.600 next year when 175,000 cars a year will roll off the production line. By then total investment by the Japanese company will stand at some £900

million. Other firms have followed. John Nielsen of Nissan said yesterday: "We are absolutely delighted at the honour given to Sunderland. We can now call it our home city instead of our home town. If we have played a part in the decision to upgrade the status

then we are thrilled." Sunderland has not always enjoyed the best of reputations. It has been the butt of music hall comedians and the painter L.S. Lowry used some of its stark, urban and industrial landscapes as backdrops for several of his "matchstick men" works.

Yesterday's announcement came the day after a reminder that life was still far from easy in the area; two miners were killedin an accident at the local colliery. Wearmouth.

Sunderland, whose morto is "With God as our leader there is no cause for despair, was ranked as ninth favourite to win the honour, put at 14-1 by the bookmakers William Hill. More fancied towns were Chelmsford, the favourite at 4-1, Brighton, Ipswich and Milton Keynes.

The status of city gives no special privileges or powers and Sunderland's leading citizen will still be plain "mayor". Only 11 cities have been created this century, the most recent being Canterbury in 1988.

The other contenders for cityhood were: Blackburn, Bolton, Colchester, Croydon, Dudley. Guildford. Middlesbrough, Northampton, Preston, Sandwell, Shrewsbury. Southend-on-Sea. Stockport, Telford, Wolverhampton. St David's and Newport in Wales and Armagh in Northern Ireland.

The people of Sunderland welcomed the award. Rose Bell, aged 83, said: "Some people from down south don't like Sunderland. They think we're all daft. I don't know why, it's a wonderful place to

MICHAEL POWELL

Armed robber kills himself

state a leath

AN ARMED robber shot and killed himself yesterday after being pursued by unarmed West Midlands police officers following a £6,000 wages raid in Birmingham. Last night police were questioning two other men who were caught after a chase (Stewart Tendler writes).

The man died after two men burst into a metallic washers factory in the city centre. Two staff members were attacked and the robbers escaped in a waiting car with the cash. One of them then hijacked a van.

John Barley, managing director of the company owning the van, said: Suddenly a gunman put his gun through the window and to [the driver's face and demanded he got out. He was left standing on the pavement.

Unarmed police gave chase in three cars. The gunman eventually abandoned the van and turned on the pursuing police.

Aslam Anwar, working for a packaging company near by said: There was a screech of brakes and sirens everywhere. There was a man running and police were chasing him. He turned and threatened them with his revolver or handgun.

Chief Superintendent Derek Williams, of West Midlands police, said that the man was taken to hospital where he was found to be dead. The two other men were captured after they had abandoned their getaway

Price of petrol goes up āgain

Texaco and Shell yesterday announced another round of petrol price rises, increasing pump prices by 6.4p a gallon (1.4p a litre) from Monday. They blamed sterling's weakness against the dollar and a rise in refinery costs. Other companies are ex

pected to follow this second petrol price this year. The increase means unleaded petrol will cost 206.4p a gallon (45.4p a litre) and 4-star 222.8p a gallon (49.0p a litte). Texaco said that market volatility was likely tencontinue to move petrol prices.

Rape ruling

A three and a half year prison sentence on a man who raped a teenage girl in her flat after she left a party was increased to six years yesterday by the appeal court. Three judges. headed by Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, said that the sentence on Gareth vaughan-Roberts, a Baptist minister's son from Ebbw Vale, Gwent, was "far too lenient". They allowed the Attorney General's challenge.

Costly seaweed

The price of laverbread, the could double by March 1, St David's day, because the seas where it is harvested have been unusually calm. Suppliers of the food, traditionally fried with bacon for breakfast, rely on storms to dear the sand beneath which it grows. This year the seaweed has remained buried and its price is expected to rise from £1.40 to £2.80 a pound.

Murder arrest

A man has been arrested and charged with the rape and murder of Margery Hopegood, a British tourist, aged 32, in Hamilton, New Zealand. The man, aged 29, was due to appear in court in Hamilton last night. The body of Miss Hopegood. a solicitor from Earls Colne. Essex, was found in public lavatories in the North Island city on January 10.

A High Court judge has reserved judgment on an attempt by sherry producers to ban sales of a new drink blending Spanish and British sherries. The sherry producers complain that the labelling and marketing of Stone's Original Pale Cream, produced by Matthew Clark and Sons, of Leeds, is an to confuse consumers. The company is opposing the move.



Patten starts libel action over 'dirty tricks' claim

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

CHRIS Patten, the Conservative party chairman, yesterday began legal action against the BBC and Peter Hain, Labour MP, for libel over remarks made by Mr Hain about allegations of a

diny tricks campaign". A press release issued by the Conservative party said that Mr Hain made a series of allegations on a BBC Newsnight programme last Friday to the effect that Mr Patten had organised or encouraged a concerted campaign of criminal activity "to gain political intelligence to discredit the Labour and Liberal

"These allegations are entirely untrue, and the chairman has instructed lawyers to commence appropriate proceedings for libel against the parties concerned - the BBC and Mr Hain - "unless suitable retractions, apologies and redress are forthcoming immediately." the release

A BBC spokesman said that the letter was now in the hands of its lawyers, and no further comment would be

made at this stage. Last night, Mr Hain issued a statement saying he had no ent about the letter from Mr Patten's solicitors. However, he added: "I will not be gagged by Conservative Central Office about these sinister series of apparently politically motivated pre-election smears and com-

puter burglaries." Mr Hain said that he stood by the terms of his two parlia-

mentary early-day motions calling for explanations, yet to be given, from the prime minister and the chairman of the Conservative party about

these events.

The first called on John Major to disclose whether any member of the intelligence service had been authorised to get access to Labour MPs' private offices and to data bases and files on

their computers. The other called on Mr Patten to disclose whether any of his officials had been asked to gain access to Labour members' private offices and to data bases and files on their computers.

☐ William Waldegrave, the health secretary, has challenged Labour over its plans to scrap GP fundholding, claiming that there was now mounting evidence of the scheme's success.

Sitting on the platform at Conservative central office alongside three GP budget holders, Mr Waldegrave said studies had shown that the scheme had produced better services and reduced waiting times. There is only one threat to the fundholding scheme and to the benefits to patients it is delivering. It

ty," he said. The admission by Robin Cook, Labour's health spokesman, in the Commons that he intended to scrap budget holding had isolated him from GPs, the British Medical Association and patients, Mr Waldegrave said.

Rushdie starts year four in hiding

Supporters are stepping up the campaign to lift the fatwa on Salman Rushdie, writes Peter Victor

FRIENDS and supporters of Salman Rushdie laid a heart of roses in Smithfield, central London, yesterday to mark the third anniversary of the Muslim death sentence against him. The flowers were laid beneath a plaque commemorating those executed

In Strasbourg, 115 Euro-MPs have signed a resolution expressing sympathy for Mr Rushdie and calling on all member states to press Iran to withdraw the fatwa de-clared by Ayatollah Khomeini after the publication of Mr Rushdie's book, The Satanic Verses. Human rights organisations world-wide have condemned the fatwa and pressed for it to be removed. Among the countries taking part in events to mark the anniversary will be New Zealand, Australia: Switzerland, France, Denmark, Canada,

Ireland and Germany.

Mr Rushdie, aged 44. appealed to the British govern-ment last Thursday to persuade Iran to lift the death sentence against him. He told the BBC World Service arts programme Meridian that the time was coming when n and Iran would sit down to sort out their relations. The government should tell Tehran that the threat was not acceptable and had to be lifted before relations with Britain and Europe could be improved, he said. "It could be done by the snap of a finger, if the will



Floral tribute: Michael Foot and Fay Weldon laying a heart of roses for Salman Rushdie yesterday

thor added.

Mr Rushdie said that he had paid a high price for publishing. The Satanic. Verses. Three years of my life
— that's a high price. Three years of my son's life, missing it, that's an even higher price." Others have paid the ultimate price; three people have been murdered, and one was wounded in a knife atby Muslim extremists

opposed to the book. Mr Rushdie and Marianne Wiggins, his estranged wife, fled to a secret location in February 1989 after Ayatollah Khomeini ordered the fatwa. Guarded by two armed special branch officers at all times, Mr Rushdie has been moved hundreds of

He has made occasional public and broadcast appear-

announced that he had converted to Islam: He later denounced the dominant trend in Islam and re affirmed his desire to see his book printed in paperback.

London and Tehran restored diplomatic relations last September but have not exchanged ambassadors. There has been no indication from Tehran that the death sentence could be lifted but ernment has been trying to play down the fatwa. Plans for a 24-hour mass vigil to mark Mr Rushdie's 1,000 days in hiding were abandoned last November at the request of the Foreign Office, which feared that it might delay the release of Terry

There was no official comment from Tehran yesterday,

is there," the Indian-born au- ances. In December 1990, he but two Iranian newspapers that Mr. Rushdie must die Abrar, a radical newspaper, said that Muslims around the world would carry out the

In Britain, Kalim Siddiqui, leader of the newly formed British Muslim parliament, said: "Muslims everywhere will continue to regard Rushdie and his supporters as Islam's enemy number Liagat Hussain, of the influential Bradford

Council for Mosques, said that Mr Rushdie's latest appeal was another attempt to win public sympathy. fatwa will remain. There is no end to it." he said. "The problem is always foolishly attempting to resolve the issue without recognising the issue. The issue is a British one and

needs to be solved with Muslims in this country, and not

Frances de Souza, a spokes man for Mr Rushdie, said that he found the disruption to his life and friendships hard to deal with. "He finds it very difficult to cope when the matter is being swept under the carpet," she said. "There is now a huge upsurge of support around the world and we are trying to harness that in a political way."

Mr Rushdie is reported to have earned royalties of around 16 million from sales of The Satanic Verses. His protection has cost taxpayers an estimated £3 million. He has contributed some £250,000 towards his accommodation and protection

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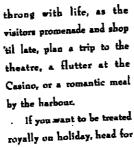
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Maxwell bed for 'scandal suite'

Strangers to fine art flocked to an auction of the contents of Maxwell's penthouse, Alan Hamilton reports

ROBERT Maxwell's double bed, an object approxi-mately the size of a small airfield, was sold for £1,400 at auction yesterday to a Dorset hotelier who in-tends to make it the centrepiece of a "scandal

Shirley Gardner, aged 39, a former model and dancer, who described her Canford Cliff establishment as being "for discerning people" aged 35-50, also bought two further enormous beds and a quantity of Maxwell bedlinen when the contents of the late media tycoon's London penthouse apartment were sold at Sotheby's.

Souvenir hunters, first time buyers and other strangers to the world of fine art crowded the New Bond Street salesroom in the search of curiosities. They were easy to spot as not being the regular Sotheby's clientelle, Leslie Weller, the auctioneer, had to tick them off for sitting on valuable antique

Sold at short notice, and without reserve, by the administrators of the collapsed media empire, many of the best pieces among a largely tasteless assembly of household effects failed to reach their expected prices. Mr Maxwell's 15ft Regency dining table made £20,000 instead of the ex-

pected £25,000 to £30,000. Bargains were there in plenty: a pair of George II giltwood Girandoles for only £11,000, and a William IV rosewood side cabinet for £1.300, both well below estimates. There was sluggish interest in the Mr Maxwell's 34in tele-

vision set fetched £1,050. well above estimate, which is more than can be said for the William IV cabinet that once housed it, sold for a disappointing £1,900. Mr Maxwell's toaster fetched £120, his monogrammed bathrobes and towels £1,100, and a further set of towels, stolen from the Ritz Hotel, Paris, judging by their monogram, £100.

His small personal trampoline, apparently unused, with two sets of bathroom scales thrown in, made £120. Four consecutive lots, described in the catalogue as "quantities of books", turned out to be the chairman's copious supply of his own flattering biograohy by Joe Haines.

Bidding reached a climax at lot 285, a collection of Mr Maxwell's baseball caps. They were bought for £1,100 by his arch rival, The Sun. The sale made £472,000, a mere spit into the black hole of the Mirror pension fund.

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Head refuses to take big pay-off

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THE head teacher of a London comprehensive school. which was given a month to act over unsatisfactory standards, yesterday refused to accept an early retirement package said to be worth more than £250,000. Highbury Grove School, in Islington, north London, once regarded as the showpiece of the comprehensive system, received a damning

report from inspectors last month. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, set a deadline of February 28 for an action plan for improvements to be produced. Peter Searl, the head teacher, has been backed by the school's governors, but has now been asked by Islington education authority to take early retirement. A package,

£20,000 a year, was said to have been approved by councillors.

including a £55,000 payment and pension rights of almost Mr Searl said yesterday

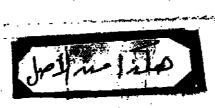
that he would not resign, and

added that the size of Islington's offer had been exaggerated. "I have not received an offer of £250,000, but if that sort of money is available I hope it would be spent on the school's meagre resources." Mr Searl who is 50 and earns £38.000 a year, daimed that the school had been starved of resources. "I have the confidence and sup-

have all decided to work together and make the necessary improvements." The report by Her Majesty's Inspectorate said that urgent action was needed to tackle poor behaviour, high levels of absenteeism, and

under-achievement. Chris Adamson, who chairs Islington education committee, said the offer to Mr Searl conformed with local govern-ment regulations. "We feel that effective management action must be taken to remedy the situation and turn the school around."

port of the governors, staff, parents and students. We Sherry dispute



Farmer

blamed

recession

for killings

A WATERCRESS farmer,

whose family business was in financial trouble, could not

face making his workers re-

So he shot his sleeping wife

and then himself after leaving

a message telling the prime

minister to open his eyes

about the recession, an in-

quest was told yesterday. The

two deaths so affected the

coroner that he adjourned the

inquest while he recovered his

The farmer, Robert Biggs,

met accountants and a solici-tor who advised him to stop

trading, and then phoned his

brother-in-law, saying that he was going to kill himself. When Brian Graham arri-

ved at the family home in

Whitchurch, Hampshire, he

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Roy Newman, a family

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The Biggs's daughter, Lau-

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Estate agent feared death on her first night in captivity

By CRAIG SETON

THE kidnapped estate agent Stephanie Slater believed she would die of fright on the first night of her eight days' captivity when she was blindfolded, bound and locked in a wooden box by her abductor, police said yesterday.

Miss Slater, aged 25, told detectives after her release that the box she slept in every night of the ordeal was inside a second container with a lid. At one stage the kidnapper told her that he had another container that could be used "to remove her body", but said he would get rid of it because he no longer needed

Detective Inspector Ellie Baker, aged 40, head of the West Midlands police team that debriefed Miss Slater, said yesterday: "Her most crucial time was her first night when she was terrified. She was bound all night and was very, very cold. That night she actually believed she would die in terror."

Further details of Miss Slater's captivity were released yesterday after a tenday police debriefing session which began when she was released unharmed near her Birmingham home two weeks ago. The kidnapper, who escaped with a £175,000 ransom, is believed to have abducted and murdered Julie Dart, aged 18, of Leeds, West Yorkshire, last year.

Det Insp Baker said Miss Slater had tried to stay calm and to build a rapport with her kidnapper. She added: "She wants this man caught. She is still very afraid. All the time she thought she was going to die, but she realised if she got a rapport going with this man she would not die. It is her personality that saved her. She is a remarkable woman."

Miss Slater told detectives that a man she was showing around a house for sale in Great Barr. Birmingham, on



Baker: "Stephanie's

in the bathroom which she tried to grab. During a struggle he pushed her into the bath and she pleaded not to be killed, telling the abductor that she was a human being. He told her she would not be killed or harmed before

tying her hands and leading her to a car parked at the rear, where she was blindfolded, gagged and placed under a blanket on the back seat Tom Cook, assistant chief constable of West Yorkshire, said Miss Slater was extremely frightened but decided she would do exactly as she was told and would not get upset or angry in any way.

After driving for half an

hour the kidnapper forced Miss Slater to make a taperecorded ransom demand to Shipways, her employers. Mr Cook said: "He fold her she would not die if she did not cause trouble." After several more hours driving they arrrived at the unknown location where she was to be held. blindfolded throughout.

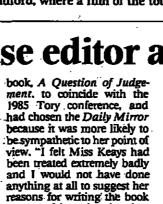
She recollected entering a large building where she was seated on a chair and told to remove her clothing. She was allowed to keep her teeshirt and underwear and was given alternative clothes. The man offered her tea and pro-

vided some chips.
Mr Cook said: "He indicated she was going to be put into a form of container where she would sleep. Stephanie says she was placed in what she can only describe as a wooden-type box which she had the impression was inside another container with some sort of lid. Before locking her in the container he remarked on the fact she was calm. Stephanie indicated she was not really calm but frightened to death, but it was not in her nature to scream

and shout." Mr Cook said that Miss Slater spent the night in some pain and feared she would be harmed. She awoke at 8am to the sound of a radio. The kidnapper arrived, removed her from the container and gave her breakfast, after which she was bound and left on a mattress for several hours and then fed at teatime. In the evening she was returned to the container. The routine was followed each day, when she was allowed out to eat and to do exercises.

On the fifth day Miss Slater was forced to make another tape recording. Only hours before her release, on the day the ransom was to be collected, the abductor returned to the building and said he had got the money. Her clothing was returned and, still blindfolded, she was driven away. Mr Cook said: "During the journey Stephanie indicated she had been afraid the kidnapper would not return and she would not be found. He told her he had a letter in his wallet which, had he been caught or anything had hap-

pened to him, would have indicated where she was." Miss Slater was driven to within a few hundred yards of her home in Great Barr, Birmingham. Since her return she has been debriefed for three or four hours a day for ten days by four women police officers, with a psychia-trist and medical consultant heritage items, which would be banned from export.



were anything other than jus-

side." she said. Miss Keays. aged 44, of

Marksbury, near Bath, Avon, claims that the magazine accused her of being a kiss-andtell money-grabbing bimbo who wrote her book to make money and cause Mr Parkinson maximum embarrassment. Miss Keays denies her book was written or timed to cause embarrassment to Mr it to defend her reputation

being waged against her.
Miss McGowan said that

she believed Mr Parkinson would have been totally embarrassed by some of the reve-

lations in the book.

genuinely felt regret that Miss Keays saw something in the article which I could not see. I had done nothing to offend her or huft her." Asked Parkinson. She says she wrote _ if she would retract any of the article, she replied: "Not a The hearing continues on

Miss McGowan said: "I

Identity warning on birth certificate

By Jamie Dettmer

NEW British birth certificates and copies of old ones obtained from the Central Register of Births and Deaths at St Catherine's House in London will soon include a printed warning stating that they do not constitute a guaranteed proof of identity.

The move is the first in a planned series of changes to rules governing the birth cer-tificates aimed at stopping tens of thousands of illegal immigrants and fraudsters from securing false identities.

The government hopes that it will alen ministries, banks and other businesses to the dangers of accepting a birth certificate copy as the necesssary proof to establish

identity.
Gill Colmer, a spokeswom-an at the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys, said: "It has always been the case that a birth certificate is not absolute proof of identity. But in the light of recent developments, and the fact that people are using certificates for fraudulent purposes, we wanted to erect a higher

barrier." In February 1990, MPs demanded action after The Times revealed the findings of two Immigration Service enquiries which unearthed widespread abuse. They discovered evidence which suggested that tens of thousands of illegal immigrants from Africa and the Indian subcontinent had obtained copies of British birth certificates and had established

new identities. A fraudster wanting a copy of a dead person's certificate needs only to look through the registers at St Catherine's House and find the name of a dead person of roughly the same age. The cost of a duplicate is £5.50 and can be

obtained within 48 hours. The Office of Population Censuses and Surveys wants to introduce a two-tier system of application for certificate copies. This would allow unrestricted application for copies which could not be used as legal documents and thus not obstruct the work of archivists and genealogists. To obtain an authentic copy, cant would have to provide



Larger than life: an inflatable that accompanied the Rolling Stones on their worldwide Steel Wheels tour sits outside the National Museum of Film and Photography in Bradford, where a film of the tour is now showing

Price of per Holbein auction goes up aga may be halted 1. 1. Mag (s)

The sale of a £15m masterpiece may have to be postponed because of a legal technicality, Sarah Jane Checkland writes

THE Marquess of Cholmondeley may have to withdraw his £15 million Holbein painting from auction because he has failed to give the government required no-tice prior to its sale. Christie's is being blamed for rushing the sale through in its eagerness to revive the stagnant art . market by offering a leading

A Lady with a Squirrel and a Starling was unveiled by the auction house on Wednes day as the star lot in its April 15 sale. There were wails of dismay from Neil MacGregor, the National Gallery's director, whose pur-chase grant of £2.7 million precludes any chance of his buying it.

Yesterday it emerged that the painting is subject to a government scheme exempting it from inheritance tax for as long as the owner agreed not to sell. The Capital Tax Office amended the rules in 1982, obliging owners who plan to sell exempted works to ive the Museums and Galleries Commission three months' notice, to give museums a chance to raise the funds. It seems almost certain that the painting was exempted after 1982 and is therefore

subject to the new stipulation. Lord Cholmondeley could ignore the rule and carry on with the sale. He has said that his reason for rushing is due to "legal and family reasons". He was not available for comment yesterday but has stated

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that the reason for the sale is to set up a maintenance fund for his estate at Houghton, Norfolk.

If he does proceed with the sale, he would do so at the peril of slashing the painting's potential value.

In the past year, Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, has placed long-term export bans on a number of heritage items, including Canova's statue The Three Graces. Such action limits a work's potential market value and the fate of the Canova remains in the balance as the Barclay brothers, the businessmen who recently bought The European, continue to haggle with the sculpture's owners over the price. By carrying on with the sale, Lord Cholmondeley virtually guarantees that Tim Renton, the arts minister, will recom-

mend a similar course. One likely buyer for the Holbein is the Getty Museum in California. But it had wanted to buy The Three Graces and was angry at the outcome of its application.

This time it may not to bid. Peter Longman, director of the Museums and Galleries Commission, said: "It seems likely that the painting was conditionally exempted after 1982, but the National Gallery only heard of the intended sale last Friday. If sellers are not prepared to give the museums and galleries a chance to buy, it is no wonder Tim Renton is thinking about lists." He was referring to a proposal being considered by the arts minister for the government to draw up a list of

Woman magazine in October included a reference to Miss with the former Tory party chairman Cecil Parkinson.

Mr Previte asked whether the reference in the article to the Profumo sex scandal

She said the suggestion that Miss Keays was bracketed together in the article with Fiona Wright, Pamela Bordes and Vicki Hodge could not be further from the truth. The article made clear that Miss Keays was not in the same company as them.

Libel case editor accuses Parkinson

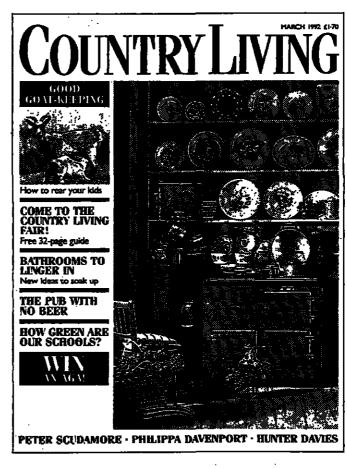
THE former editor of the magazine at the heart of the Sara Keays libel case said yesterday that she could not think of anything more ludicrous than to describe Miss Keays as a bimbo.

"The thought would not have even flickered across my mind." Frankie McGowan told Mr Justice Drake and the jury on the tenth day of McGowan was editor of New 1989 when it published an article headed "Laughing all the way to the bonk," which Keays's book about her affair

Asked by John Previte, QC, for Miss Keays, whether she could understand her complaint about the article, Miss McGowan replied: "No, I can't. I think I refer to Miss Keays in the fairest possible

would suggest to the reader that Miss Keays's book was about a sex scandal Miss McGowan said: "The way Mr Parkinson treated Miss Keays was scandalous."

She believed that Miss Keays had intended the newspaper serialisation of her



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Two brains are better than one, say Mensa mutineers

By JOE JOSEPH

YOU would have thought that members of Mensa would be smart enough to settle their tiffs with a spirited exchange of views, without all this huffing and puffing, but the people who think of themselves as Britain's brainiest have split into rival ranks over how to evaluate the country's brightest

Most of Mensa's ruling committee have mutinied against Victor Serebriakoff, the president of Mensa and chairman of the Mensa Foundation for Gifted Children. They have broken away to form a rival organisation, the society for Children of

High Intelligence. Mensa and the foundation carry out one test to isolate the top 2 per cent of the population. The new organisation, which will run summer schools and hopes to open a boarding school for gifted children in Suffolk, is broadening testing to identify the top 5 per cent of children in terms of intelligence and educational ability. The John Walker, a retired



Mensa girl, aged three

ures on children as young as three and recruiting them into Mensa. A fortnight ago there was a song and dance. in the press over Kathryn Barnes, who became the voungest giri in Mensa, at three. The case reopened the debate over whether parents test their children's IQ to help their children or to give themselves something to crow about

fy bright children, but he would not agree to any changes being made."
Edward Dye, a retired

teacher who advised the Mensa Foundation, is

over Mensa shortly after it was founded after the second world war, said: "Our methods have been accepted worldwide. I am sorry that Mr Walker has decided to leave. The problem is that he wanted to be the gaffer." So. not that different from the rest of us, after all.

Barnes: the youngest

breakaways object to Mr

Screbriakoff slapping IQ fig-

company director who worked closely with Mr Serebriakoff for many years and was deputy chairman of the foundation, has quit to become chairman of CHI and has taken many Mensa committee members with him. He said yesterday: "I wanted Victor to broaden the testing that we use to identi-

among the defectors. "To assign any sort of IQ figure to children below five is unreliable and can do considerable harm to them. In attempting to identify the gifted child we must proceed on a much broader base than mere IQ." Mr Serebriakoff, who took



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Spens left in limbo after Guinness trial ends

By PAUL WILKINSON

dicated that Mr Seelig, aged

47, could not cope with the

strain of continuing to con-

Mr Seelig had denied

charges of conspiracy, fraud

and false accounting arising

from his alleged part in

Guinness's takeover battle for

Distillers in 1986. Lord

Spens denied conspiracy and false accounting.
Elisabeth Gloster, QC. an-

nouncing the SFO's decision,

said that the effect of the nolle

prosequi would be to stay all

proceedings against Mr Seelig Lord Spens, however, was in a different position.

Although he had had open

heart surgery last summer "it

is right to say that he has

never sought to use his health

as a reason for adjourning or delaying these proceedings" she said.

the director [of the SFO] ...

has had to consider whether,

even though she remains sat-

issied that there is sufficient

evidence to proceed against Lord Spens, the public inter-

est requires him to be subject-

ed to the rigours of a second lengthy trial. In her decision

the public interest does not

require such a course to be

Having regard to the rela-

tively minor part he played in the Guinness affair, "it could be regarded as unfair to him

to proceed to a second trial"

☐ The Bar Council last night

joined the call for urgent re-

form of the legal system dealing with white-collar crime.

Gareth Williams, QC, chairman of the council, announced that it was to set up a

working party to investigate improvements. But he reject-

ed suggestions that lay juries

He said it was unaccept-able for members of the pub-

lic to be expected to sit on a

jury for months or even years.

should be abandoned.

"In those circumstances

duct his own defence.

THE second Guinness trial was formally halted yesterday without a verdict, Roger Seclig, the former merchant banker whose mental health was diagnosed as too fragile to continue in the trial, had the case against him shelved by the legal device of a nolle prosequi, an order from the Attorney General effectively preventing further prosecu-tion of the charges against

The Serious Fraud Office also announced at Southwark crown court that it would not proceed with the case against the other defendant, Lord Spens, aged 49, the former managing director of the merchant bank Henry Ansbacher. However, no similar nolle prosequi order was being sought and the charges will lie on the file.

This prompted his counsel. David Hood, to seek a direction from the trial judge, Mr Justice Henry, under section 17 of the 1967 Criminal Justice Act for a formal acquittal. He claimed that the prosecution's decision entitled Lord Spens to an acquittal as if found not guilty by a jury. It would have a bearing on who paid Lord Spens's costs, which until he was granted legal aid in December 1990 had amounted to more than £400,000. The court was finally ajourned until next

Friday.
Outside court Lord Spens said: "If ever there was an example of a case where the law is an ass, this is it. The collapse of the trial was nothing to do with me. Mr Seelig has been discharged but I am in limbo about whether I have been acquitted or not or whether I get costs or not."

The case against the two men effectively collapsed last Tuesday when the judge discharged the jury after saying that psychiatric evidence in-

Act starts a storm in the port

By JOHN YOUNG

MILLIONS of bottles of vintage wine, quietly maturing in cellars, are at risk from the latest intervention of the Nanny state. All those cobwebs and dust are a health risk, it seems; regardless of the likely damage to the wine, the bottles must be brushed, polished and pre-sented for environmental health officer's inspection. and woe betide any defaulters.

That appears to be the implication of a move by health officers in Bristol. which has long associa-tions with the wine trade. Local merchants have been told that, under the Food Safety Act 1990, wine is a food product and subject to the same strict hygiene regulations that apply to groceries on the shelves of shops.

David Jenkins, chairman of the Wine and Spirit

man of the Wine and Spirit
Association, yesterday
described the move as
"pure lunacy. Handling
port and madeira can disturb the maturing process
and adversely affect

vintaging," he said.
Juliet Hawkes, of Harveys of Bristol, said: "It is a piece of bureaucratic nonsense. Dusting a vintage bottle could make it difficult to decant and awful to

Bristol city council said that environmental health officers now had powers to order wine merchants to clean their bottles and cel-lars, but they had not yet had occasion to use them.



Do not disturb: Robin Scott-Martin with maturing bottles of port

Labour pair lose MI5 case

By Richard Ford HOME CORRESPONDENT

A LABOUR MP and a former aide to Neil Kinnock yesterday failed to win an enquiry into whether MI5 still holds files on them. The two women challenged the failure of the Security Service Tribunal to investigate their complaint that files wrongly classifying them as communist sympathisers in the Seventies remained with M15.

Mr Justice Kennedy ruled in the High Court that there was no case for a judicial review and that there had been too long a delay in bringing the matter to court.

Harriet Harman, Labour MP for Peckham, and Patri-cia Hewitt, deputy director of the Institute of Public Policy Research, argued that files opened when they worked for the National Council for Civil Liberties, were held in defi-ance of a 1990 ruling by the European Commission of Human Rights.
During the European pro-

ceedings the government in-troduced the 1989 Security Service Act and the commission held that there was therefore no need for further action to protect their rights. The women were concerned that files on them were still being kept and complained to the

Security Service Tribunal, set up to safeguard privacy. Ms Hewitt said later that she was "extremely disappointed" with the judge's decision. She added: "We will have to begin a new case under the European Convention of Human Rights in order to get protection."

Libyans to get public hearing

The two Libyans accused of the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am plane over Lockerbie will appear at a public hearing before the Libyan judge investigating the case, the Libyan news agency Jana said yesterday. The unsourced report did not say where or when the

session would be held. Abdel Basset Ali Megrahi and Lamen Khalifa Fhiman are accused by Britain and the United States of involvement in the bombing, which killed 270 people. Libya has denied the charge.

On Thursday, Britain rejected Libya's response to a United Nations security council resolution urging it to co-operate in the investiga-tion. It will consult the security council about further moves to force compliance.

Forgery charge

Andrew Thomas Bourne, aged 44, a barman, of Willesden, north London, was remanded in custody by Brent magistrates, charged with possessing forged Dutch guilders with a face value of about

Rapist jailed

John Broom, aged 30, of Staple Hill, near Bristol, was given three life sentences by Bristol crown court for a series of sex attacks, including the rape of a girl aged 16.

Nurse loses

Lisset Burrett. aged 24, a casualty nurse, of Selly Oak, Birmingham, lost a sex discrimination claim against West Birmingham Health Authority after being dissipated. Authority after being disci-plined for refusing to wear a hat on duty.

Son accused

Douglas Graham, aged 45. of Benwell, Newcastle upon Tyne, was remanded in custody by Newcastle magistrates, charged with the murder 13 years ago of his invalid father.

Safety drive

Edinburgh council is to ban men convicted of sex offences or of domestic violence from becoming taxi drivers, after a series of sex attacks in the city.

Railman died from sniffing fire extinguisher gas

A RAILWAY guard died after sniffing gas from a fire extinguisher in the guard's van, an inquest was told yesterday. Gary Clark, aged 19, was a regular drug user who had been sniffing solvents since he was 15, his girl friend said.

Mr Clark, of Basingstoke, Hampshire, was found slumped in the guard's van as the train on which he was working pulled into Basingstoke station in November last year. A postmortem examination revealed that he had died from inhaling Halon 1211

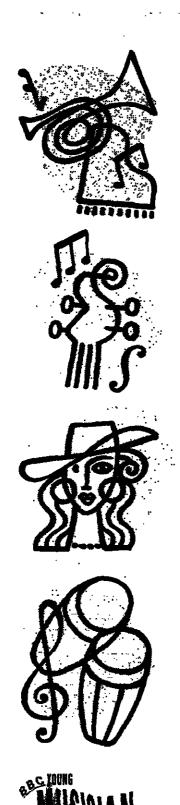
gas from the extinguisher.
Virginia Mallard, who was living with him at the time of his death, said that they regularly smoked cannabis and took LSD tablets. She said that Mr Clark had confessed to her a fortnight before his death that he abused solvents. She told the inquest products he was using and he just said "Everything". He said that he had

been doing it for a long time."

Mr Clark was found by Alan Oliver, a leading railman, of South Ham. Basingstoke, who had taken a Red Star parcel to the guard's van. He said: "Gary was wrapped around the radiator and I thought he was sleeping. I tried to shake him and got no

forehead." He called an ambulance but the crew was unable to revive Mr Clark.

Brian Ferkins, a coroner's officer, later searched Mr Clark's home and found a key for opening fire extin-guishers. Andrew Bradley, North East Hampshire coroner, recorded a verdict of death due to non-dependent abuse of drugs.



pizzicato is an Italian takeaway, you'll still enjoy the BBC Young Musician of the Year Competition.

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The seventeen-programme series starts this evening at 6.50pm on BBC 2. Who knows, by the Grand Final on April 11th you may well end up realising that a cor anglais doesn't have pips in it.



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Ending of safety net puts ministers at risk

Poll tax threatens marginals

By Douglas Broom LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE poll tax is likely to be an important factor in more than two dozen Conservative marginal seats, including four held by government ministers, according to a new analysis of official

The phasing out of safety net grants' to councils worst hit by the change from the rates to the community charge will lead to rises of up to £25 a head in the poli tax or cuts of up to £8 million in services. Councils covering Tory marginals will be among the worst hit by the change, according to analysis of government grant figures carried out by the

Labour party.
In York, where Conal-Gregory has the smallest Conservative majority anywhere at 147 votes, the Labour Party of t our city council will be forced to increase the poll tax by £25 or make cuts of £2 million. The Labour London borough of Southwark, which includes Gerald Bowden's Dulwich constituency (majority 180) will lose £3.7 mil-

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lion in grant, equivalent to £25 a head on the poll tax. At Middlesbrough council, which covers the Stock-

ton South seat of Tim Devlin (majority 774), councillors will have to cope with the loss of £1.5 million by making cuts in services or adding up to £15 to the poll tax. Ministers affected by the change include David Mell-

secretary to the Treasury and MP for Lewisham West, David Trippier, junior environment minister and MP for Rossendale and Darwen, and Colin Moynihan, junior energy minister and MP for Lewisham East. Only in Mr Mellor's case

ney, John Maples, financial

will local poll tax payers escape unscathed. Wandsor, chief secretary to the Treasury and MP for Putworth council, which will lose £5.6 million in reduced

grant, has aiready set a zero

The other three ministers' constituencies face poll tax rises of up to £25 a head or cuts ranging from £4.7 million in Lewisham to £1.25

million in Rossendale. David Blunkett, Labour's local government spokesman, said: These figures reveal another poll tax bombshell about to hit key Tory marginal seats. The government will be held directly responsible for the rises in poll tax and the cuts in services that will result from the loss of grants to these areas.

"I doubt if any of the Tory MPs hit by this have woken up to the fact yet. Perhaps when they do they will put pressure on the Chancellor

to fix it in the Budget." A Tory spokesman said the party was confident that the blame for any rises in poll tax or cuts in services would rest with Labour councils in the areas affected. "It is up to the councils to budget sensibly and to live within their means. This change comes as no surprise, they have known about it for a long

Decimal coinage comes of age

Louise Hildago celebrates a 21st birthday but finds nostalgia for the bob and tanner still has currency

THE decimal coin is 21 years old today. On Februay 15, 1971, the currency replaced 1971, the currency replaced pounds, shillings and pence amid dire wasnings of raging inflation and "decimal diddlers". Traditionalists grumbled about the demise of a system that graced its ancest try to the solidus and denarious introduced by the Pomision us introduced by the Roman emperor Diocletian in 298;

The late lainMacLeod, the Conservative shadow chan-cellor in 1969, led a spirited crusade against the act, de-claring himself an "unrepentant ten bobber".

Other opponents warned that prices would rise in the rounded them up. The fears were proved largely unfounded: in the year before deci-malisation the retail price index rose 8.6 per cent and by only 8 per cent the year after.

The Treasury estimated that the changeover cost be-tween £100 million and £150 million. To make the hundreds of millions of decimal coins needed for D-Day, the Royal Mint moved from its

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Countdown: pre-decimal children learn to change

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pers. tanners and bobs. In a letter to The Times two months ago, Professor Peter King bemoaned the "Napo-leonic tyranny of decimal-isation". The King's Head public house in Islington. north London, refuses to serve those using the decimal terminology and insists on asking £1 14s for a pint of bitter:

The former florin, whose face value is now 10p, is the only coin still minted at the same size and weight as its pre-decimal form. When it is withdrawn later this year, the hope of coming out of the supermarket with an antique in one's change will finally be extinguished.

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Darlings snubbed in British **Oscars**

THE popular television series Darling Buds of May has failed to win any nominations British Academy of Film and

Television Aris awards.
Comedy nominations, announced yesterday, are The
Curse of Mr Bean, Drop the Dead Donkey, One Foot In The Grave and Only Fools and Horses. Poirot, Inspec-tor Morse, Spender and Ca-sualty are nominated for best drama series, and GBH, Coronation Street. Clarissa and Prime Suspect for best drama

Best light entertainment nominations go to Have I Got News for You, Julie Walters News for You, Julie Walters
and Friends, Spitting Image
and Whose Line is it Anyway?
The Darling Buds stars
David Jason, Pam Ferris,
Catherine Zeta Jones and
Philip Franks, who together received the Variety Club TV personality of the year award last week, also failed to receive

Alan Bleasdale's controversial series GBH, about corruption in a northern council. wins a number of nominations, including best actor for Robert Lindsay and Michael Palin, best actress for Lindsay Duncan and best theme for Elvis Costello. Patricia Routledge wins a best light entertainment performance nom-ination for suburban snob Hyacinth Bucket in Keeping Up Appearances, while A Question of Attribution, about the art historian and spy Anthony Blunt, is in the best

single drama category.

Alan Parker's film The Commitments has six nominations and the Silence of the Lambs nine, including Anthony Hopkins as best actor and Jodie Foster as best actress. Kevin Costner's Oscar winning Dances with Wolves is nominated among best films and Costner is nominated for the David Lean award for best direction. The ceremony is on March 22.

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Government expresses reservations about effect on farmers of private member's bill

Bill to ban hunting defeated by 12 votes

By Peter Mulligan and John Winder

AN ATTEMPT to outlaw fox hunting was defeated by 12 votes in the Commons yesterday. The private members bill put forward by the Lab-our MP Kevin McNamara with cross-party support was refused a second reading by

Although MPs had a free vote, Angela Rumbold, the Home Office minister, said that the government had reservations about the bill's effect on farmers. Robin Corbett, Labour's home affairs spokesman, confirmed that it would be Labour policy at the general election to end hunting with hounds.

The vote, at the end of a five-hour debate, was greeted with clapping from the public gallery and cries of "Shame" from the bill's supporters. The main provision of the Wild Mammals (Protection) Bill was to ban the use of dogs in hunting wild animals. It also sought to make it an offence to set snares.

Mr McNamara, MP for Kingston upon Hull North, said that he wanted to correct an anomaly allowing people to inflict cruelty on wild mammals which, if committed on domestic ones, would be criminal. He described how a gang of youths in Canterbury had shot a hedge-hog with an air rifle, played football with it and placed it, still alive, on a bonfire. The case brought against them by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals failed because the hedgehog could not be described as domestic or captive.

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He dismissed the idea that hunting with hounds was a form of pest control and described it as a form of entertainment in which foxes were bitten to death once caught. He advocated a switch to drag hunting, where artificial trails are laid.

Nicholas Ridley, Tory MP for Cirencester and Tewkes-bury and a former cabinet minister, said that he did not hunt, but defended the right of others to do so. "A certain understanding, patience and tolerance is necessary if this have so cherished in this be taken away by those who

would wish to impose their prejudices upon others."

tice would be severely disrupt-

ed. The need for a farmer to

protect his crops or livestock

from pests is crucial and

something this bill doesn't

quite recognise," she said. Mr Corbett said that hunt-

ing with hounds was

"organised ritual destruction of wildlife carried out in fancy

dress and amid great ceremo-ny by those who pretend they have care for wildlife and

their habitat. It degrades and

disgraces the name of legiti-

allowed unfettered to cause

such mayhem, distress, nui-

sance and damage. In urban

areas, the police would have charged them with public

order offences before they could say "Tally ho"."

A backbench bill to allow

traffic-calming works on roads completed its remain-

ing stages yesterday, as did a bill to allow nurses, midwives and health visitors to issue

some medical prescriptions,

and a bill to change the defi-

Hunting reprieve, page !

nition of still-birth.

"No other people would be

mate sport

Tony Benn, Labour MP for Chesterfield, said: "When the bill is on the statute book, and it will be before the end of the century if not before the general election, people will look back and they will read the speech of Mr Ridley and other speeches made by those who favour hunting. They will not be able to persuade their children that such arguments were put forward by civilised men and women."

Dame Janet Fookes, Tory MP for Plymouth Drake and a senior member of the RSPCA, said: "It is a duty on us to ensure there is no unnecessary cruelty or suffering." She said that the real cruelty of hunting lay not in the animal's death, but in the exhaustion and shock it suffered in the chase. In the scale of cruelty, hunting, snaring and torture were higher than shooting, which she would not seek to ban.

Simon Hughes, Liberal Democrat MP for Southwark and Bermondsey, said that the number of foxes caught and killed by hunting was minimal. Most people went hunting for entertainment

Michael Jopling, Conserva-tive MP for Westmorland and Lonsdale and a former agriculture minister, said that he was concerned about the vagueness of a bill which one lawyer had said might stop a cat being put into a granary plagued with mice. "I get the impression that some supporters of the bill are motivated as much by revulsion against supporters and followers of the hunt as by any

cruelty that may happen."
The bill was described by John Townend, Conservative-MP for Bridlington, as part of an orchestrated campaign to victimise a minority. "I cannot help feeling that there is a certain amount of good old-fashioned left-wing class prejudice," he said.

Mrs Rumbold said that the bill would make effective control of agricultural pests difficult. Its proposal to issue workload and huge costs. "Normal' agricultural prac-



Rumbold: worry about



hunting with hounds

HOW MES VOIES A



Joining the pack: two of a group of children from Loughborough, Leicestershire, who wore animal costumes outside Parliament yesterday in a demonstration of support for Kevin McNamara's bill

Early poll puts paid to Baker's asylum bill

By RICHARD FORD

HOME CORRESPONDENT LEGISLATION to curb abuses of the asylum laws is expected to be dropped because there is not enough parliamentary time left before the general election.

The government's business managers have been discussing how much of its legislative programme can go onto the statute book if John Major decides on a general election on April 9. The asylum bill, which Kenneth Baker last year said had the highest priority, is expected to be the main casualty of preparations

for a spring election.

Even a May poll would be unlikely to allow time for the measure to pass all its parliamentary stages. Yesterday Mr Baker conceded that the bill might not become law

before a general election.

The bill was intended to change the procedures for dealing with the rapid increase in numbers seeking asylum. It involved the re-cruitment of extra officials to speed the processing of applications, the creation of a fast track appeals procedure and the compulsory lingerprinting of people seeking asylum.

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EC and Efta settle legal powers split to salvage trade deal

stitched back together the tier-free single market of 19 European states which faltered last December in the face of objections by the European Court. Officials of the EC and Efta (the European Free Trade Association) announced that they had overcome the difficulties raised by

One official said last night that talks had come to a successful end, but the amended draft treaty faces severinto force at the beginning of next year. Late on Thursday, the European parliament voted to ask the European Commission to send the treaty back to the court for an opinion and threatened to block ratification if the request was ignored. The full Commission and council of foreign ministers will need to endorse the compromise. Besides the European par-

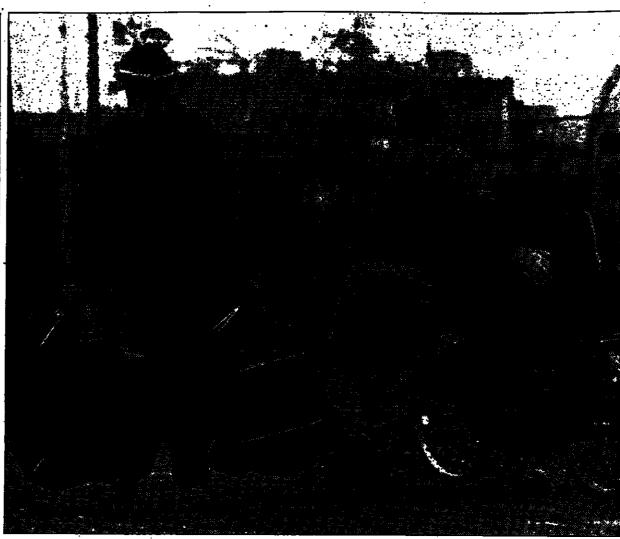
NEGOTIATORS last night liament, the 19 national governments need to ratify the treaty. The Swiss government's stance on the latest compromise was not known last night, but the Swiss have been, throughout the talks. the most reluctant of the Efta states to make concessions to EC demands. Last night's deal leaves the legal system for the planned single market largely in EC hands.

The treaty aims to create a "European economic area" of the 12 EC and seven Efta countries (Switzerland, Austria, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein) by removing all trade barriers. If the agreement is ratified. Efta's 37 million citizens would join the EC single market in 1993 but stay outside the Community's political machinery. Most Efta governments see the arrangement as an interim one and want full EC membership in the mid-1990s.

Both Efta and European

Commission negotiators would prefer the amended treaty not to be sent back to the EC court for a formal opinion, since they are not legally obliged to ask the judges' opinion again. Informal contacts between the Commission and the court are likely to continue, but such soundings did not prevent the court from stopping the treaty in its tracks last

Yesterday's breakthrough is understood to have turned on a formula which balances the powers of the legal systems in the EC and Efta. Under the broad agreement the European Court would continue to police all trade rules which it presently supervises and all commercial disputes covering the entire new zone. An Efta court would adjudicate cases concerning Efta states alone. A threeman arbitration committee would oversee the settling of borderline disputes.



Wheels of fortune: Russian merchant seamen, on shore leave in Rotterdam, returning to their ship loaded up with old car tyres which they can sell back home for large profits. Such sights are becoming common

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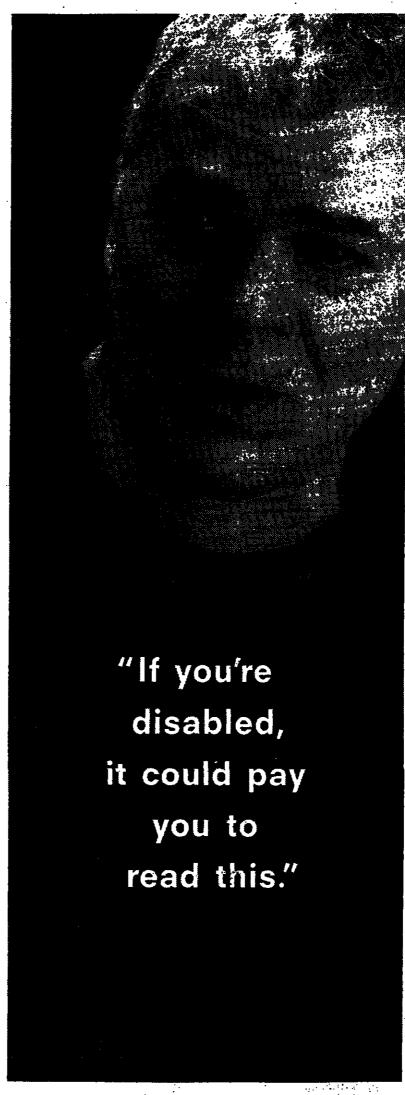
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Gibraltar seeks end girli to colony status

By Dominique Searle AND MICHAEL BINYON

SIX days before arriving in London for talks with the government and opposition. Joe Bossano, the chief minister of Gibraltar, told the opening session of the colony's parliament that it wants to change its constitution and shed its colonial status.

He proposed transferring responsibility for Gibraltar's defence and foreign affairs to the European Community, leaving Britain to retain formal sovereignty over the Rock which otherwise would be largely self-governing.

His comments, which are certain to stir controversy in Madrid, appeared in London last night to be an attempt to get around the provision in the 1713 Treaty of Utrecht, under which the Rock was ceded in perpetuity to Britain on the basis that Spain would have the first option to have it back if Britain left.

Mr Bossano said Gibraltan was seeking reform of its 1969 constitution with the aim of decolonising within the next four years. He stopped short of calling for independence, but told the House of Assembly to applause: "The time has come for Gibraltar to be seen as a territory whose people are fully entitled to the right of self-determination. We reject entirely the argument that an 18th-century treaty can limit or inhibit the right of a European people to exercise selfdetermination when that right is not denied to another single human being.'

Honecker

can go to

hospital

FROM IAN MURRAY

THE German government has agreed to allow Erich

Honecker to be moved to a

hospital in Moscow to be

treated for possible liver can-

cer and depression, provided

an independent medical ex-

amination confirms that he

The foreign ministry in Bonn confirmed yesterday that while any treatment was

under way no moves would be

made to arrest the former

East German leader and ex-

tradite him to Germany, vhere he is wanted on man-

slaughter charges.
Herr Honecker has been

living in the sanctuary of the Chilean ambassador's resi-

flence in Moscow since De-

cember. Yesterday the Chi-

lean and Russian ambassa

dors in Bonn were told that,

although any necessary treat-ment could go ahead at the hospital, Germany was still

insisting that Herr Honecker

The German ambassador

in Moscow has asked the

government there to ensure

that the report of Herr

used as a way of trying to smuggle him out of the coun-

try. To guard against that,

Germany wants a fresh check

made on the findings of the

three Russian doctors who have examined him.

should be extradited.

need the treatment.

Britain reacted coolly to his remarks. The Foreign Office notice that Gibraltar's status in the European Community is determined by Article 2274 in the Treaty of Rome cover-ing "territories for whose ex-ternal affairs member states are responsible". It said independence was not an option unless Spain was willing to agree. During talks with Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, on Thursday, Pritain will be "ready to listen but there was no question of for-mal constitutional talks".

Mr Bossano said the Gibraltar parliament should "play the historic role of ushering in the end of the colonial era in our history". He has never made clear how Brussels, which has no department responsible for the foreign affairs or defence of member states, could take on responsibility for Gibraltar.

Since 1985, Spain has its sovereignty claim at annual talks between foreign min isters held under the so-called "Brussels process". Madrid argues that decolonisation should involve the reintegra-

Taxmen stalk East's new millionaires

By Roger Boyes, east europe correspondent

MILLIONAIRES of the last year. He took out a loan East, unite! You have nothing to lose but your Mercedes coupés, your Jacuzzis and private jets. The Eastern European market revolution may have been slow taking off, but a few hundred entrepreneurs have managed, by hook or by crook, to accumulate fortunes in the past two years. Now the taxman, another Western innovation, is

knocking at the door. As a result, some million-aires have disappeared abroad, while others are taking an intense interest in tax write-off charities. Luxembourg and Liechtenstein have suddenly become attractive destinations for short winter holidays. Top businessmen's clubs have been opened in all of the East European capitals, ostensibly to discuss investment opportunities and "networks", but in fact to work out tax dodges. The problem seems most

acute in Russia, where the government is desperate to soak up hard currency. Parliament has drafted changes to article 153 of the old penal code which allowed for stiff jail sentences on profiteers. But it seems that President Yeltsin is not going to allow businessmen to slip by unscathed. One decree being prepared proposes taxes of up to 90 per cent on private companies whose income exceeds a feeble 35,000 roubles (barely £200 at today's rates) a month.

That will hit men such as Herman Sterligov, aged 25, a Muscovite who made his first \$1 million in January

for two million roubles, rented office space and organised an agency dealing in building materials. Thousands of Muscovites turned up to buy and sell.

Mr Sterligov charged 10 per cent on every deal and the profits were ploughed back into the agency. Now his company has a network of such agencies that trade in everything except food. He and his brothers now charge for brokers' office space on his exchange — a Western broker typically has to pay him \$200,000 for the right to trade — and a fee of 0.3 per cent on every deal transacted. His wife and child him maintain in and child live mainly in New York. They have a big flat in London and a more

modest place in Moscow. The nervousness of East European millionaires is not just about taxes as such, but also about the possibili ty of an egalitarian backlash that could push the tax collector, and the public prosecutor, into action.

There is still a great deal of mystery, not only about the source of some fortunes a typical biography sees the lucky man disappearing in America or elsewhere in the West for two years in the 1980s and returning with a big pile of start-up capital — but also the way they are being controlled. The richest entrepreneur in Bulgaria is probably Valentin Movov, aged 40, who owns several companies and Western dealer ships. The tax authorities spent two months going through his books, but little has been heard since.

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Uzbeks greet to $c_{0|_{0}}$ girlie mags and meatballs

FROM ANDREW FINKEL IN TASHKENT

AMERICAN officials on Tashkent airfield, supervising the unloading of a mixed cargo which included antibiotics and institution-size, oven-ready cartons of spaghetti and meatballs, acknowledged that they were providing no more than a gesture of goodwill to the people of the new state of Uzbekistan.

Local journalists, assemb-led to meet the airlift, also said that there was no food disaster in Tashkent, but took the point that the gift was further recognition of their independence and were impressed that the aircraft had arrived directly not from Moscow but from Ankara.

Most of the meals, left-over rations from Desert Shield with their shelf lives running out, are intended for orphanages, hospitals and old people's homes, according to Lieutenant-Commander James Leahy. His team's normal job is to carry out on-site inspection of nuclear weapons, but now, thanks to a knowledge of Russian, they are in Uzbekistan to ensure that Operation Provide Hope does not become an operation to supply the black market.

An American naval attaché was also on hand at the airport to claim delivery of a suitcase full of dollar bills designed to ease the way of a separate State Department delegation wandering through the newly independent states to look out for sites for new embassies.

There were other signs that free trade was catching on quickly. A Moscow-born KGB border guard, standing watch at the entrance hatch of the American C141 military cargo aircraft, was one of

the few officials not to barter away his hat as the aircrew traded girlie mags, Marlboros and the odd bottle of Jack Daniels for souvenirs of

their day trip to Central Asia. Their flight left Turkey in the small hours and turned round immediately to avoid the problems of staying the night. The Turks, in addition to providing this support, have consented temporarily to open their border with Armenia where the needs are said to be desperate.

But whereas Western Europe sends low-cholesterol butter to Armenia, the Turks - possibly in closer cultural understanding of deprivation
— included in their palletload to their Turkic brethren in Uzbekistan not simply margarine but also some 800lb of cigarettes, all donated through the Red Crescent.

"The people here are proud; they would never ask for help, said Dilnoza Kavinova, who has been co-opted to help to pinpoint aid recipient families in the areas outside Tashkent where families ability to weather 400 per cent inflation is that much less. Unlike the European Community relief effort, with the much more ambitious aim of deflating food prices, the American airlift is a grand — and in transport costs expensive - gesture.

Allison Brown, a specialist in rural development recently arrived in Tashkent, said the money was simply not available to mount the equivalent of Marshall Aid to mark the ending of the Cold War, but that a normal aid programme might be possible if the need proved to be there.

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Military manoeuvres: President Yeltsin of Russia, left, and President Kravchuk of Ukraine, who clashed at yesterday's Minsk meeting on the future of the former Soviet Union's armed forces. Hopes fade, page 1

Croats killed in truce violations

FROM TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE

CROAT and Yugoslav mili- week and underline the fratary delegations were scheduled to meet yesterday to discuss several serious ceasefire breaches in which at least three Croats were reported to have died. Police in Osijek, the eastern Croatian regional capital, said two people died when a shell hit their car on Thursday and the Croatian news agency reported an artillery attack near the Adriatic

port of Zadar. The ceasefire violations came as Croat and Serb politicians welcomed the decision by Boutros Boutros Ghali, the United Nations secretary-general, to recommend the dispatch of a peacekeeping force of more than 10,000 to Yugoslavia. "The time is right," said Borisav Jovic, the Serb representative on the old Yugoslav federal presidency. Mate Granic, the Croatian prime minister, said that he welcomed the UN troops so long as they were just "tempo-rary". The deployment of the force has been vigorously op-posed by the leaders of Krajina, the main Serbian enclave in Croatia.

tions take several lives every

Continuing ceasefire viola-

gility of the truce. While Belgrade has unreservedly welcomed the secretarygeneral's recommendation. the Serbian press and government officials repeatedly give warnings that Croatia is arming fast. Obviously they are preparing for war," said Zeljko Simic, a senior aide to Slobodan Milosevic, the president of Serbia.

Mr Simic said he hoped that after a peacekeeping force had arrived Cyrus Vance, the UN special envoy. would preside over the new peace talks. Lord Carrington's mediation had failed, he said, adding that Serbia's "greatest mistake" had been to believe that the European Community would respect international law.

He confirmed that Belgrade still hoped to construct a new Yugoslavia comprising Serbia, Montenegro and Bosnia-Herzegovina. However, he said that unless Bosnian Muslims, who make up 44 per cent of the population of the ethnically mixed republic, came to an agreement with Belgrade, Serbia and Croatia might move to partition it.

Costs threaten press freedom in Russia

FROM BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW

AS MOSCOW'S journalists sing on Moscow's new comgathered last night for a modity exchanges for 20,000 roubles a ton, while the government of the company of mood was marred by the prospect of mass unemployment. Virtually all the bestknown titles of the former Soviet press say they are days away from financial collapse.

Sky-rocketing costs have created a climate of wild uncertainty in a country where everything about newspapers used to be predictable, from their ideological content and dreary appearance to their negligible price. According to Pavel Gusev, president of the journalists' union in Moscow, only President Yeltsin can stop the presses of Russia's main publications from coming to a stop soon.

Pravda, one of the very few newspapers to publish on Mondays, said this week that it would, in the interests of economy, no longer come out on Thursdays. The problem for dailies like Pravda, Komsomoiskaya Pravda, and Sovetskaya Rossiva is that 90 per cent of the copies they sell are delivered to subscribers who pay annually in advance.

millionaire

When subscription prices for 1992 were calculated last autumn, it was assumed that newsprint would cost up to 4,000 roubles (about £20 at the current market rate) a ton. This seemed a generous assumption, as the price was 800 roubles a ton a year ago. But newsprint is already sellernment struggles to keen it below 12,000 roubles within what remains of the state distribution system.

As the price of almost everything, including labour, spirais upwards, the newspapers worst hit are those whose readership tops ten million. notably the trade union newspaper Trud and Komsomolskaya Pravda, the popular youth daily. "The more readers you have, the worse your situation." Mr Gusev said.

In the spot that used to indicate a cover price of a few kopeks (a fraction of a penny) many newspapers now say 'retail price negotiable". Hundreds of people queue at printing presses every morning for piles of papers to hawk for whatever they can get. Komsomolskaya Pravda

said this week that Russia and its fellow republics were on the brink of an "information catastrophe" that could ruin the chances of reform new commonwealth. Everyone's worst fear is that something akin to the bad old Communist monopoly over printing presses and distribu-tion will be re-established and subsidies confined to papers that adhere loyally to the government line.

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Race for the White House

Election stirs US neurosis on Vietnam

FROM PETER STOTHARD, US EDITOR, IN WASHINGTON

the Vietnam war was supposed to have been ended last year by the military triumphs of the Gulf. For the American armed forces that was true: the veterans of Lai Kay and Long Binh could hold their heads high at last.

But for politicians such as Bill Clinton, among the Democratic runners, it was not true. Those who did not serve their country in the 1960s but who do want to serve it now face a hard time, maybe even harder because of the Gulf. Mr Clinton is spending the last days of his election primary campaign trying to shore up support that has been collapsing since the first revelations emerged of his efforts to avoid the Vietnam war draft in 1969.

Almost everyone who has written about this affair (and few political commentators have not written about it) preface their remarks with the warning that Mr Clinton, the Arkansas governor, was doing no more than millions of other students whose lives in the late 1960s were dominated by the war. Indeed, his behaviour in maximising his opportunity to avoid being drafted was, by common consent, more honourable than that of those people who fled the draft and the country

Since he was then and is now an aggressive opponent of that Southeast Asia policy. his stance was arguably more honourable than that of Vice-President Dan Quayle who supported (and still supports) the policy but did not want to go and fight for it.

The cautionary notes have not helped Mr Clinton, however. He has become the conduit for all the suppressed fears and guilts of those who stayed away from Vietnam because their class, their education, their contacts or even their simple good luck kept

them out of harm's way. Many of the most sensitive are Mr Clinton's contemporaries in the press corps. On the day that the "draft evasion" story first appeared in

THE unfinished business of The Wall Street Journal, I was with the Clinton campaign in the foyer of the mock-Tudor Tara Hotel in Nashua, New Hampshire. Reporters crushed around him firing questions about IA and ID statuses, putting detailed challenges to him about dates and deferment

They were talking about their own lives. None of them may have governed a state, or tried to reform a school sys-tem or even had the active extra-marital social life of which the governor has been accused. But they felt the heat of this issue as though it were a big cat breathing down their necks.

Mr Clinton answered the

questions well. He has stood up courageously to attempts to suggest that he somehow falsified his record, that it was not a "Vietnam question" but a "character question" like that of his alleged misrepresentation of his relationship with Gennifer Flowers. But it is hard to stand up against a

current that is flowing so fast. Two of his opponents whom he had hitherto clearly beaten in the political argument, quickly claimed the patriotic card for their own. Senator Bob Kerrey, the most authentic war hero in the American presidential race this century, clearly did not relish the idea of wrapping himself in the flag. But he did it all the same.

Senator Tom Harkin, a veteran pilot, hit at the tenderest spot of all: the clarifying truth that Mr Clinton had lost his greatest asset, his electability. No party wants to saddle itself with a scapegoat, however much its members may believe that the charges are

Twice in the past, after the civil war and after the second world war, military service has been a longlasting test for presidential hopefuls. George Bush's war record was vital for him. So was John Kennedy's and Lyndon Johnson's.

In a political hotbed, Saturday Review, page 16



Hot reception: Michael Jackson, the American rock singer, with Ivory Coast children on arriving in Abidjan for a visit yesterday. He cancelled engagements and stayed in his hotel as students were arrested in the capital during violent protests against the government

New Hampshire chokes on forced diet of TV politics

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

NEW Hampshire's couch potatoes can no longer return from work to a mindless evening of soaps, serials and old B-movies. With less than 100 hours left of the nation's pulsating first primary, the airwaves are saturated by grandiloquent politicians pounding one another and proclaiming that they alone can restore greatness to America.

Here, in a state uniquely empowered to bury or give birth to politicians' dreams, the punch-drunk candidates are now spending tens of thousands of dollars daily on frantic last-ditch pleading. WMUR, New Hampshire's main station, is carrying 160 political advertisements a day, each replete with stirring music, ubiquitous Stars

and Stripes, and shameless

Hounded by Patrick Buchanan, the right-wing col-umnist, President Bush typically appears 29 times a day on the station to appeal for Republican unity so he can "lead America to prosperity". With one poll yesterday giv-ing Mr Bush a lead of only 17 points, the White House may well resort to advertisements focusing on Mr Buchanan's opposition to the Gulf war.

Mr Bush barely fades from the screen before Mr Bu-chanan appears, berating the president for three years of indifference to New Hampshire's suffering. "Together. says the fired-up conservative insurgent, "you and I can take back America and make

Democrat hopes of a painless primary that would unite the party behind their draftshy governor have really van-ished. Bill Clinton, Vietnam's latest victim, films feverishly to staunch his haemorrhag ing support. Arkansas citi-zens tell their New Hamp-shire counterparts what an upstanding man their gover-nor is, while a Vietnam veteran says Mr Clinton has been "ambushed by an enemy al-most as invisible as the Vict-

Bob Kerrey's ninth new advertisement of the primary targets Mr Clinton by flaunting his own heroic Vietnam record and unimpeachable patriotism. Paul Tsongas. the new front-runner, ploughs up and down a ming pool to counter a whispering campaign about whether he has conquered cancer. Tom Harkin, the working-class champ, claims all Democrats apart from him are neo-Republicans.

Commercials no longer interrupt the programmes; programmes punctuate the commercials. A Clinton sales pitch that lasted 30 minutes was immediately followed by a 30-minute commercial for Lyndon LaRouche, a fringe candidate who is in prison for fraud. Jerry Brown, former governor of California, periodically airs half-hour "infomercials" attacking pol-

itical corruption.

By early this week the main candidates had spent well over \$3 million (£1.6 million) on advertising in New Hampshire, and that figure could double or triple by Tuesday. Saturated viewers are beginning to yearn for good old Burger King adver-tisements, but Mr Clinton will this weekend distribute 20,000 ten-minute videos to ram home his message.

Rival bidding for New York tabloid

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

IN A move that caught New York's business world by surprise. Peter Kalikow, the bankrupt owner of the New York Post, has announced plans to bid for The New York Daily News, the ailing rival tabloid, which was taken over by Robert Maxwell months before he died.

Mr Kalikow, a property developer who bought the Post from the News Corporation four years ago, said he was making the move because combining the two newspapers was "the surest, and perhaps only opportunity for the which has fought bitter circulation wars with the Post for years, reacted coolly to Mr Kalikow's overture, suggesting that he join the queue of potential buyers. He was not. it pointed out, on the list of qualified investors who received prospectuses last week. television news that they resented the idea.

Mr Kalikow's approach was unexpected because he had placed himself in personal bankruptcy last year, after the slump in the value of his property holdings. However, Mr Kalikow's creditors could conceivably support a deal because the Post is likely to lose its value should the News be bought by someone else and survive. The New York Times reported that it already had the backing of the Bankers' Trust Company - his main creditor - and that Mr Kalikow expects to make a cash offer of about \$50 million (£28.2 million).

Maxwell bought the News in a last-minute bid last Telegraph.

March, days before its owners were due to close it as a hopeless loss-maker. It sought protection under bankruptcy law from its creditors after Maxwell's death declaring \$53 million in liabilities and \$37 million in

Each newspaper has been struggling to survive in a market which most experts say is not big enough to sustain four big daily newspa-pers — The New York Times, the Post, the News and New York Newsday. Mr Kalikow's spokesmen said he would not close the Post if he acquired the News, but all other options were open, including the possibility of relaunching it as the afternoon paper it once was: He might, for example, combine editorial or business operations while keeping the titles separate. The News said in a state

ment that Mr Kalikow might not be a qualified potential investor. The Daily News' investment bankers, Salomon Brothers, recently mailed a package of financial information about the newspaper to a handful of prospective buy-ers. "Salomon would be happy to conduct a detailed review of Mr Kalikow's financial condition prior to releasing any information about the News," the News said.

Other potential buyers include Mortimer Zuckerman. another property entrepre-neur and owner of the US News & World Report, and Conrad Black, who controls Hollinger of Vancouver, the owner of 96 daily papers, including . The

Islamic march stopped

Algiers: The fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front yesterday called off its planned march through Algiers after riot police and heavily armed troops were deployed around the capital (Alfred Hermida writes). In the central area, paratroops took up positions around the Place des Martyrs, where the marchers had intended to gather.

There have been further attacks by Islamic extremists on the security forces in Algeria, but cancellation of the march avoided a large-scale showdown. Throughout the day police vans patrolled the area, with automatic rifles pointing out of windows. Plain-clothes officers armed with light sub-machineguns took up positions in shop

doorways.
The heavy security presence did not altogether deter attacks on the security forces, however. A group of Islamic extremists attacked a police station on the edge of the old quarter, the kasbah, injuring several police officers.

Talks resume

Port-an-Prince: After more than three weeks' debate, the Haitian senate agreed to resume talks with the ousted president. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, aimed at solving the dispute over the country's leadership. (Reuter)

Lock accused

Perth: Tony Lock, aged 62, appeared before magistrates at Perth. Western Australia, charged with aggravated in-decent assault in 1987 on a girl aged 15. He was remanded until next month. (AP)

Mother land

Roissy: An Iranian who has lived in limbo for nearly three years at Charles de Gaulle airport near Paris can enter Britain to look for his mother after gaining refugee status under the Geneva Convention, his lawyer said. (AFP)

Animal passion

San Francisco: The zoo here offered St. Valentine's day tours to people wanting to learn animals sexual habits. Guides pointed out, among other animals, lesbian geese and monkeys fitted with contraceptive devices. (Reuter)

Dying wish

Ottawa: A Quebec woman identified as Nancy B. died from a respirator in accor-dance with her wishes. She had been paralysed for two neurological disorder.

Love match

Adelaide: The Art Gallery of South Australia made a St Valentine's day announce-ment that it had bought an aluminium cast of Eros, the statue in Piccadilly Circus, London, for £180,000 to go on permanent display. (AFP)

Miners killed

Johannesburg: Four miners were killed and four others were injured in an earth tremor at the Western Deep Levels South goldmine, near

Ward 'may have been burnt'

FROM SAM KILEY IN NAIROBI

JULIE Ward may have been burnt before being killed in a Kenyan reserve in 1988, a Cambridge university pathol-ogist told the Nairobi high court yesterday at the murder trial of two game rangers.

Professor Geoffrey Gresham said that the remains of her left leg, cut from the rest of the limb at the knee, had been blackened by fire. But "blistering could have happened before death".

As details emerged of how Miss Ward's head was cut "from the base of the skull with a sharp beavy instrument while her head was bent forward", her mother Janet took shorthand notes. Mrs Ward, whose husband John has spent three and a half years and £300,000 on bring-ing the alleged killers to book. has attended daily since the trial of Jonah Tajeu Magiroi and Peter Metui Kipeen began on Monday.

Miss Ward's jaw was found with her charred and decomposing leg on September 13, 1988, a week after she disappeared while on safari in the Masai Mara reserve. Her

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DAY ITERLARY

Tokyo scandal prosecutors arrest company chiefs

FROM PETER STARR IN TOKYO

JAPANESE prosecutors yesterday arrested four businessmen allegedly involved in a new scandal, as politicians failed to agree on how to summon members of the ruling Liberal Democratic party linked to another scandal.

The arrests came a day after raids on the homes of former executives of Sagawa Kyubin, the parcel delivery group. Companies allegedly received loans from the group and the offices of Inagawakai. Japan's second-biggest

Two of the arrested men. Hiroyasu Watanabe, the former president of Tokyo Sagawa Kyubin, and Jun Saotome, the company's former managing director, are suspected of breaching company trust. They allegedly extended 110 billion yen (£490 million) in suspect loans and guarantees to the Heiwado property group and the Ichi-hara Resort Development Company, as well as Inagawa-kai and its affiliates. Yasuo Matsuzawa, the Heiwado president, and Michio Ouchi, the Ichihara account-

ant, were also arrested. The figure is reportedly part of 900 billion yen in loans and guarantees provided to some 90 companies and

Crippled

home

Jockey Sharron Murgatroyd

was flown home by helicopter

yesterday after spending five

months in Oswestry hospital after her fall at a race in

Bangor, Wales, last summer.

Sharron, aged 31, a riding

friend of the Princess Royal. was told she would never walk

again after severing her spine when she fell. Paralysed from

the neck down, she will have to adapt to life in her modi-

fied bungalow near the rac-

ing town of Newmarket. Top trainers and jockeys, includ-ing Henry and Julie Cecil

and Lester Piggott, have

raised money to carry out the

Sharron Murgatroyd: modified bungalow

Princess Margaret, leading politicians and opera stars are to attend a huge fund-raising party for the charity.

Victim Support, in London in April hosted by the freed hostage Terry Waite. The party, in honour of released hos-

tages and those still captive,

will be held near Mr Waite's

has taken the title of Lord

Wilson of Tillyorn of Fanzean and Fanling, a government spokesman said. His life peer-

age was given in the Queen's New Year honours. Tillyorn

is the name of the governor's

family home in Aberdeen-

official rural residence.

Sir Richard Attenborough

has been awarded the Hamburg Shakespeare Prize for

1992 in recognition of his

long stage and film career.

The 40,000 marks (£14,000)

prize, offered annually by the FVS foundation, will be

handed over in June at a

ceremony in Hamburg.

work to her home.

individuals since 1987. About 100 billion yen of this is thought to have ended up in the pockets of 200 members of parliament.

Liberal Democratic party leaders met opposition parties to discuss legal proce-dures for summoning Zenko Suzuki, the former prime minister, and Jun Shiozaki, the former cabinet minister. They are suspected of receiving monies from Kyowa, a steel-frame manufacturer, in

return for political favours.

The ruling party bowed to opposition demands to approve the testimony in an effort to end their boycott of parliament, which has paralysed debate, including budget talks, for more than a week. But the parties failed to agree on the procedures and are to meet again today to try to resolve the impasse, reports said. The Liberal Democrats are baulking at opposition demands that the testimony by Mr Suzuki, aged 81, who was prime minister in 1980-2. should be subject to normal

judicial procedures. The opposition has so far failed to make the ruling party summon Fumio Abe, the man allegedly at the centre of the scandal. Mr Abe, the former head of the Liberal Dem-

ocratic party faction of Kiichi Miyazawa, the prime minister, was charged this month with receiving bribes while he was minister in 1989 and 1990. The justice ministry intervened on Thursday to prevent Mr Abe from being forced to make a testimony. arguing that he was already the subject of legal action and that such a move could prejudice the outcome of his trial.

Mr Abe and the two other LDP members, who are also members of the Miyazawa faction, are suspected of re-ceiving 500 million yen from Kyowa in return for favours. Opposition parties want to summon 21 people connect-ed with the Kyowa affair as well as the four-year-old Re-cruit stocks-for-favours scandal, which led to the collapse of Noboru Takeshita's government in 1989.

The Liberal Democrats' loss of an upper house by-election on Sunday to an op-position candidate, who had focused his campaign on cor-ruption, has fuelled the demands. The poll was seen as a prelude to the elections in July for the upper house, where the opposition has control (AFP)

Nikkei plunges, page 18



Under arrest: Hiroyasu Watanabe, left, being taken to jail yesterday in Tokyo in connection with the loans scandal

Hanoi and **Peking** sign pact

Hanoi: China and Vietnam whose rivalry fuelled the Cambodia conflict, agreed to boost their economic co-operation and to help to ensure the success of the UN peace

plan in Cambodia. Nguyen Manh Cam, the Vietnamese foreign minister, told a joint press conference in Hanoi with Qian Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister, that Li Peng, the Chinese prime minister, had accepted an invitation to visit Vietnam in the second half of the year. MrCam and MrQian signed an economic and travel

agreement. (Reuter)

Overwork fears Tokyo: Most Japanese are afraid of dying from over-work, according to an opin-ion survey. Twenty-three per cent of those polled said they could not take holidays "out of respect for their superiors and their co-workers". (AFP)

Taps run dry Manila: The Philippine capital will be waterless for up to three days from today to allow installation of a flood control project. President Aquino has ordered the mayors of Manila

temporary supplies. (AFP)

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China has a splash rider flies of coffee

FROM CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

AT THE Xinghua gardens bathhouse, it would seem a little pretentious if you asked for decaffeinated coffee. The waitresses do not even ask if you want milk and sugar. But then you are not expected to drink the coffee, you are ex-pected to bathe in it.

For the Chinese yuppie, coffee baths are the newest heights of decadence. "We always use Nescafé of Maxwell House," said Cao Baocai, the manager, who knows his good name depends on foreign brands.

The bathhouse offers a range of gourmet baths, including Cleopatra-style milk, vinegar, and rice wine. have tried them all," said Mr Cao. So what did the coffee do for him? Mr Cao refers to an information sheet. "It in vigorates you, helps the circulation, gets rid of stress."
Did it really do all that for him? "Oh yes."

No city dwellers have hot water on tap. Some can shower in hot water at work. Most, however, still use public bathhouses, which are traditionally grimy, grey places where washing is best done as quickly as possible. The Xinghua gardens bath-house has been open since

1921, but three years ago Mr Cao realised that he should move with the times. So the bathhouse was refurbished for 5.2 million yuan (£525,000) and reopened last month as a luxury establish-ment, complete with a gilt chandelier in the lobby. On average, 300 customers a day spend up to five hours wallowing in the hot water

and pleasant surroundings.

home in Blackheath. Six A visit to an ordinary bathhundred guests will attend, including Neil Kinnock, the house costs about a yuan. A sauna and shower at Xing-Labour leader, and fellow hua Gardens costs seven yuan. But the full works — including a back scrub, mashostage John McCarthy. sage, sauna and steam bath. The outgoing Hong Kong governor, Sir David Wilson, and the bath of your choice in a private room — can cost up

In a steamy, white-tiled private room the bath is halffilled with hot water. A middle-aged attendant in white overalls and black boots comes in bearing a plastic jug of bath essence, in this case black coffee. shire, Scotland, while

"The coffee did nothing for Finzean is the name of the me, but my skin was a shade valley with which he has a darker when I came out," family association dating said one customer. Many from the early 18th century. prefer a milk bath, guaran-teed to leave your skin soft Fanling in Hong Kong's New Territories is the governor's

Men and women are segre gated inside the bathhouse. Women sit around naked in armchairs in their common room, their hair in plastic caps. Others read soggy newspapers in a crowded sauna. The rooms are clean. Just sometimes, however, in the men's section, customers forget where they are and spit on the floor.



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Women who want to become priests should see a vocation as their duty, and not as a matter of equal rights

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that sanctions self-interest as a virtuous motive for personal choice. Vocation referred not just to a life dedicated to the church, but also provided a religious way of looking at all other trades and professions. Vocations were regarded as "callings". The person or thing doing the calling was usually God, but sometimes He called through a surrogate: the state or the community acted as His channel. But in every case an individual became a clergyman or doctor, soldier, teacher, writer, even cobbler - because that was what God wanted.

The "call", though from God, was described as if heard from an inner voice, like the voices of conscience, but that did not usually mean an actual voice, as in a vision or hallucination. Obeying a vocation meant following God's will, a moral duty that overrode personal preferences. But a career, the modern idea that has replaced vocation, means following one's own will. Vocation implies a highly ambivalent attitude to ambition and promotion, which may be God's will but may be not. But a career is about rights, equality of

opportunities, employment protection laws and the quest for per-sonal fulfilment. Vocations are essentially noble, careers only rarely so, and then by accident.

This eclipse of the notion of vocation has not been confined to the secular realm; it has penetrated far into the internal affairs of the church - although. confusingly, the there (while now meaning the modern idea of career). It

is revealing to listen to the irritable exchanges in the Anglican debate about women priests, which is about to resume in next week's General Synod meeting, while filtering out the pros and cons of the issue itself in order to concentrate only on hearing the upper resonances. What world view do the speakers hold? What view of God and His action?

it quickly becomes apparent from the higher harmonics of the argument that both sides share an impoverished idea of "priestly vocation", by which they mean, in mundane fact, a career in the church. Having to give up such a career (on the part of the antis) or not being allowed to start such a career (on the part of the pros) is presented as a cause of pain, the avoidance of which is an imperative all are deemed to share. blackmail of "my pain is worse than your pain", which if it continues much longer will do more damage to the Church of England than ordaining (or not ordaining) women could ever do.

No more edifying is the claim of married men who suffer the "pain" of exclusion from the Roman Catholic priesthood, as if they were being denied a right. In career terms, such discrimination is as unjust as discrimination against women. Indeed, if the ordination of women or married men is presented as a question of equal career opportunities, there

he concept of vocation is one can only be one answer. But any of the casualties of an age talk of rights automatically eliminates the concept of vocation. There is no such thing as a "right to be called", less still a "right to

test whether one is called or not". The recognition of a vocation, traditionally, meant: "Never mind the inconvenience or what I want to do, this is a demand from God." Those great moments in Christian history when a vocation was recognised and accepted by such people as Thomas à Becket, Luther, Ignatius, Wesley and Flor-ence Nightingale involved painful obedience and considerable risk. The vocation did not guarantee personal fulfilment. The emotional reaction of the recipient of the call, whether pain, hurt or joy, was as irrelevant in deciding the correct response as the feelings which went with any other moral

Vocation is a specific instance of a broader concept, that of providence, known, since the ancient Greeks, as a divine watchfulness and guidance over the affairs of mankind. Pre and post-Christian concepts of providence, such as Stoicism or Marxism, assumed a rationality that governed human destiny and ultimately left mankind little scope to change it. One

could row with the tide or row against it, but there was no doubt which way it in Christian terms, allows for freedom, but does not guareschatos, the goal of history, is actually outside history. It may come tomorrow, or never. The New Testament idea of providence follows closely on God's relationship with Is-

rael in the Old, a mysterious friend-ship between the creator and the created which, while not sparing pain nor preventing trouble, brings all things out for the best in the end. Trust is the crucial idea in relation to providence and so, therefore, is faith in a benign personal God.

It should not be surprising that the collapse in confidence in the notion of providence follows the growth of secularism. In modern' culture, the ghost of the idea of providence is now only present in the guiding hand of the author of fiction or drama over the lives of their characters. But if the Christian (or Jewish) idea of providence says the overall plan of history is invisible, it does, nonetheless, offer a role for everybody in that plan, a role that is knowable. Finding that role and playing it is the same as hearing a be no mystery about it, no need to read the tea-leaves. A strong faith in providence climinates the need to strive mightily in order to find God's will. It is enough to obey one's conscience, do one's duty and behave morally, and to be generally and willingly available. In that state of mind whatever happens next is God's will, a local fragment of the providential plan for universal salvation. It is not required to listen hard for the

Ronald Payne investigates why the rural French scorn Britons who live beside them

Jean-Yves le Gallou, the leader of the French National Front's Paris region, against British and other European settlers in rural France, is another reminder that Monsieur Chauvin was a Frenchman. Not entirely by accident is his name immortalised as the symbol of blind nationalism.

Even though I count myself a firm Francophile, with ten years of residence in France to prove it, I am conscious of chauvinist tendencies in the national character. Quite often, just a few grumbles about some aspect of French life, as for example the fiendish bureaucracy of the prefecture, would cause close friends to strike back hard. "Je m'excuse, monsieur, de vous dire..." (you always know that something pretty nasty is coming after a touch of formal French politeness) "but if you do not like it here you have only to not like it here, you have only to return to your own pays," the sentence invariably ended.

"I have no hatred or xenophobic son, of the Pierre Danninos skits,

Spoiling a country idyll feelings towards the Dutch, Anglo-Saxons or even the Saxons."
M le Gallou declared. "But come

the day when 80 per cent of the population of the Dordogne are English, it will no longer be the Dordogne, even if the English there are very amiable." In French eyes it is difficult to

imagine anyone more foreign than les anglais. In the Dordogne, Normandy and Provence, those areas of France where néo-colons from the foggy island on the edge of Europe have settled, they do stand out. British householders always seem to be messily dressed whereas French equivalents tend to be smartly clothed, as English country gentry used to be. Only a few years ago it was generally believed that Englishmen would always look like Le Major Thompblack jacket and striped trouser tailored, topped with a melun bowler hat and bearing a tightly rolled umbrella. That caricature is now as dated as the one showing a beret-and-Gaulloise-cigaretted Frenchman. Closer examination of the genuine made-in-Britain article reveals that he is more likely to be clad in sweatshirt and antique khaki shorts.

Our expatriates generally draw attention to themselves by setting up little England cocoons, such as Dordogne league cricket clubs, restaurants and local newspapers. But these seem harmless enough diversions, more likely to cause amusement than to let slip any great wave of local hostility. In general, rural France regards the holidaymakers and second-homemakers with the same detached curiosity and amazement, that West Country and Welsh folk show towards semi-attached "grockles" who take up weekend cottage space in their rural communities.

Few real farmers choose to buy land in France. So the French National Front is wrong to worry about the settlers displacing local agriculturalists from their traditional homes. The truth is that both in France and in England genuine country people are only too pleased to sell uncomfortable ancient buildings at a profit so as to take up residence in purposebuilt modern bungalows full of gadgets. Some people, it has to be said, are more warmly welcome as rural newcomers than others. Top of the league come celebrities. preferably from stage or screen but at a pinch authors and

mune from criticism and becomes a cherished possession. Peter Mayle is a good example. He has written in such heart-warming fashion about the idyllic life of Provence as to become a permanent inhabitant of the best-seller list. Sounding out local opinion about the famous English resident, whose work all admired but few had read (it not being available in translation). I found that French neighbours were proud of him, but scornful of less famous foreigners in the district.

A stout pinafored countrywoman I consulted by the roadside knew at once where to find l'écrivain anglais. "Apart from him, she said, "there's nothing but foreigners along this road -Germans, Dutch, English." And she added with some distaste, "Et les parisiens", which would, I suppose, include National Frontist Gallou, from the He-de-France. It all goes to show that it is easiest to hate the devil that you know most

I must not be forgotten

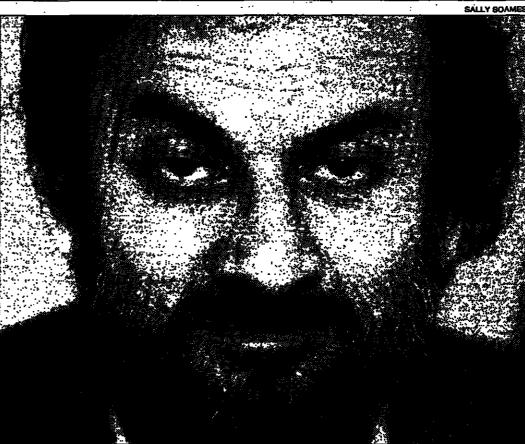
myself, and my Read lecture had to be delivered for me by Harold Pinter, for which I thank him once again. This time, however, I was determined to do my own talking. Some tions of the fatwa that appeared in the Iranian press yesterday under the heading "Stone the devil to death", and the reports that many British Muslims, not one of whom has ever been prosecuted for incitement to murder, still say they support this position. Three years of such menaces is a very, very long time. It is time, now, for an ending. It is time we were all able to put this business behind us and get on with our lives.

There are a few commentators who would wish to bring about such an ending by means of a surrender: my surrender of my freedoms, which these commentators find less important than the appeasement of my persecutors. The new literary editor of The Guardian, suggests that, for the sake of good community relations. I live out my days in "well guarded obscurity — like Thomas Pynchon or J.D. Salinger." My answer is simply this: I refuse. I refuse to be an unperson. I do not accept that this is an issue of race relations. It is one of religious terrorism. I' refuse to forgo the right to publish my work, or to allow threats and menaces to determine the form in which such work may be published. I refuse to forgo the right to walk freely in my own country, and in others. I refuse, frankly, to go on living in a box.

Freedom is not only the high principle defended by John Stuart Mill. It is also an everyday thing: the freedom to watch one's child holiday, to browse in bookshops, to act spontaneously, to buy one's own clothes. Neither Thomas Pynchon nor J.D. Salinger needs to be well-guarded. Nor have they been told that if their place of residence became known it would be impossible to guarantee their safety. I have lost my freedom my home, my family, my daily life. I want it back.

Worse still, it has been spread about that the threats to my life and to the lives of all those named in the fatwa are irreversible, that there is simply no way of cancel-ling the fatwa. This, too, is false.

After three years living under the Iranian death threat Salman Rushdie calls on Britain not to sell him out



Rushdie, fatwa victim: do not sacrifice my case for improved diplomatic relations with Iran

state certain things with absolute.

So. Satanic Verses is a serious novel as I am able to write. It is not an unreadable novel. It is neither filthy nor degrading nor abusive. The Muslim attack on the book depends on denying me any intellectual credibility at all, depends on denying the text any merit whatsoever, on a refusal to discuss it as a work of art. But it is neither a work of non-fiction nor a polemical tract against Islam. It is neither filth nor trash nor garbage. It is not what they say it is. It

Nowhere in the entire catalogue of human rights will you find the Right Not To Be Offended. If such

After three years of such confusions and obfuscations, we must silenced. Offence is not, and must never be, a reason for censorship in a free society.

If we are talking about offence, in the balance. On the one hand, we have a novel. On the other, we have censorship, threats to publishers and their families, intimi-dation of booksellers, firebombs in bookstores, incitement to murder, children hung with sandwich boards reading "I am ready to kill him", public vilifications, terrorist threats from a foreign power, multi-million dollar offers of bounty money, the knifing of one translator, the murder of another. Which is the real insult? Which is the real offence?

A distinguished Saudi novelist is stripped of his citizenship, and

anti-Islamic. An Egyptian novelist, his publisher and printer are jailed for eight years, and what's the charge? Blasphemy again. At the Cairo Book Fair, many books are seized. What's the reason? Well, you see, these books are anti-Islamic, too. In Iran itself, of course, they have been murdering

their writers for years. This isn't about religion. It's about repression. It's about power. The attack on intellectuals in the Muslim world is no different from the attack on dissident intellectuals in the old Soviet Union. Why is it that only the latter are held in such high esteem? Can it be that religion legitimises persecution. that the activities of a terrorist state, or the hounding by a

community of its dissident artists, is OK as long as it is godly?

The British government has repeatedly stated that improved relationships with other countries will be linked to those countries' human rights records. Iran has one of the worst human rights records in the world.

Much has been written of late about my relationship with the British government. One Sunday newspaper has suggested that the government is preparing a "great betrayal", that the Rushdie case will be sidelined and full relations with Iran speedily restored. I don't want to believe this. I have no wish to be in an adversarial relationship with the British government, because it has protected me and remains my best hope of a solution, but I wish that the government would make it a little easier for me to believe that they're strongly and resolutely on my side.

coming: that during the next months, there is going to be a major sorting out of this country's relationship with Iran. And what I hope all of us are here tonight to say is that any deal with Iran which excludes a full, public and effective settlement of the Rushdie case will be unacceptable. Not just to a special-pleading bunch of writers and lefties, but, I believe, to all the British people. The hostages, have come out of

t is clear that there is a crunch

the Lebanon There is no longer any reason for the Rushdie case to be soft-pedalled. It will never fade away. It can only be fixed at the government level. So this has become a simple political ques-tion: how hard will the British government push? The answer to that question is, to an extent, in our hands. Politicians are sensitive shout, the harder they push.

A friend, far more skilled in diplomacy than I, gave me the following piece of good advice: "In politics, it's the squeaky wheel that gets "foiled." This distinguished assembly represents one loud squeak of the wheel. All over the world, today and in the next few days, other wheels will be squeaking up for freedom. And we will just go on and on squeaking until we are well and truly oiled.

This is an edited version of Mr Rushdie's speech given at the Stationers' Hall last night.

...and moreover PHILIP HOWARD

hey spell it Vinci, and pronounce it Vinchy. Those pesky foreigners always spell better than they pronounce. Correct spelling, or-thography, is one of the trickier departments of English gram-mar, because English is a hotchpotch or hodgepodge of more languages than any other under the palate or over the tongue. Ever since Bede started to write it down, beautifully, there have been intermittent attempts to simplify our spelling, by making it phonetic.

The flaw with these proposals is that they would not make it simpler. For one thing, whose prominciation would our new model spelling try to represent in letters? That of Belfast, where a lake is a hole in a kettle? We can no longer pretend that the best way to pronounce English is the nasal drawl that used to be called the Oxford accent, and is now described as Standard English. For most of the Englishspeaking world this sounds odd, or quaint, or charming, or patronising, depending on the auditor's taste and disposition. But most of them do not want to talk like that. So, why should

they be made to spell like that? For another thing, the spelling of a word preserves its history. To destroy the fossilised past at a stroke would be as vandalistic as wiping out a Tudor town centre to replace it with concrete cubes, on the grounds that the modern architecture is more efficient. The English way is to let things

evolve naturally, whether they

are towns, or the constitution, or ed his name in 13 different spelling. Whenever we have gone in for root-and-branch reconstruction, whether of our counties or our government, the

whisperings of an inner voice. The

divine message might just as well be found hiding in the sits vac

result has been catastrophic. There is a kind of spelling reform going on that has the same effect as a bulldozer on a Roman foundation. It is invented by advertising copy-writers and designers as an orthographic pun, to catch your eye and make you snigger. Consider the jokey RITE family, as in Startrite and Warerite. Parents who would be appalled at squeezing their children's feet into shoes that were too small for them, do not seem to worry about squeezing this stunted spelling of right onto them.
You get LITE instead of Light.

as in the beer, Miller Lite, as an insouciant yob spelling. The letter Q brings out the goat in admen. So we get Kwells and Kwiksave. This supermarket would look classier as Quicksave. Kwik looks to me like a representation of someone clearing his throat before spitting. PRUF for proof is another pathetic adman's joke, as in Childpruf, applied to those medicine bottles that break your nails as you try to get the lids off. Grammar has not yet invented a name for this barbarous type of phonetic spelling. Can we coin a new word, ADSPEL which has the advantage of being an example of the

phenomenon it describes? Spelling is not the most important part of grammar or of good writing. Shakespeare spellways, in a period before printing and pedagogues had standardised orthography.

The Prince of Wales is for

once correct when he says that the young are not as good at spelling as his generation. We did long and obscure spelling bees of tricky words every day. and were severely punished if we got them wrong. I can still spell "diarrhoea" and "eschschol(tzia" without pausing to think about it, because they are embedded in my memory and the seat of my pants. The "t" in the middle of the latter is best preserved, because it records a bit of history. The name of the California Poppy was given to it in 1821 by A. von Chamisso, in compliment to J.F. von

Eschscholtz, a colleague. Being able to spell is a trivial accomplishment. Spelling has constantly changed over the years, and will continue to do so. But it does so gradually and empirically, preserving the fos-sils of its past. That is the English way, and a better way than Adspel. Spelling correctly does not make you a better writer or a better person. But if somebody cannot take trouble with the trivialities of English. the question arises whether he (she) can be trusted with im-

Spelling is romantic. Believe it. Natrix the Latin water snake becomes a nadder, which becomes our adder. An umpire is mis-spelled from a non-peer, a third man called in to decide between two.

Prince recycles royal warrants

THE Prince of Wales has issued his strongest warning yet that those who supply goods by royal appointment must prove their greenness if they wish to retain the oyal seal of approval.

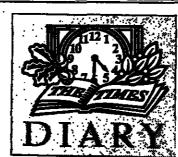
The prince has been lobbying his own royal warrant holders for nearly two years, but this week upped the pressure with an open threat to all those who supply other members of the royal family. If they do not satisfy environmental criteria, companies have been told they may find themselves removed from the royally approved list.
The Royal Warrant Holders'

Association, in a letter sent this week to its 890 members, ranging from Harrods to Jaguar cars, warns that in the light of the prince's views "it would be prudent" if they were in future to include a statement on their environmental policy in their annual reports.

A "directive" from the Prince of Wales's office will follow shortly, setting out the green criteria that companies will be expected to

The annual report of the association, sent to members this week, reveals that the prince met six members of its council three months ago and made it clear that all companies would be expected to conduct "an initial environmental review". .Some warrant holders may find

it harder than others. The Ardath Tobacco Company and ICI, for example, have few friends at present among environmentalists. A Palace spokeswoman says: "Warrants won't be revoked but when they are reviewed every ten years, if companies don't meet the standards, the warrant won't be



● How green is green? According to the Simmons Market Research Bureau, Britain can now be divided into five distinct shadings: Premium Green (22 per cent of the population, seriously green): Red, White & Green: (20 per cent, outdoors, but not ecologically so): No-Cost Ecologist (28 per cent vocally green, but deeds do not match words); Convenient Green (1) per cent willing to pay for a clean planet). And the rest? "Unconcerned".

Rare privilege

THOSE who have been on the receiving end of the legal skills of Peter Carter-Ruck will be interested to learn that Britain's most famous libel lawyer has been defamed - and there is nothing he can do about it. Under the cloak of parliamentary privilege. Nigel Griffiths. Labour's consumer affairs spokesman, has tabled a motion attacking companies, like Eurocopy "whose financial might is directed at gagging all media criticism". What does he mean? Peter Carter-Ruck & Partners

were hired by Eurocopy to handle an investigation by BBC Tele-vision's Watchdog last week. But the "gagging all media criticism" turns out to be little more than asking the Beeb to funnel questions through Carter-Ruck - hardly a

case of the old Maxwell ploy of the gagging writ. Under normal circumstances Carter-Ruck would surely expect to clean up over such a serious allegation. Yesterday, for once, he seemed frustrated. "It is bad enough what I have to put up with from Private Eye," he said.

Major mystery

What on earth was Neil Kinnock on about at the champagne socialists ball at the Park Lane hotel? Perhaps it was the excitement of sitting next to David Puttnam or



his eagerness to impress an audience that included Melvyn Bragg, but speech comparing John Major to the film-maker Jean-Luc Godard was as lost on those present as it must be to our readers. In the Sixties, Godard was signed up to make The Technique of Political Murder. That film was never made, so perhaps Kinnock was referring to another Godard classic, said to be a favourite in Downing Street, Two or Three Things I Know About Her...

Marginal interest

A LABOUR MP in a marginal constituency is caught in bed with the Liberal Democrat candidate's wife. Relax, it is the plot of a new comedy. A Marginal Affair, which is due to open in the very week many now expect the election to be

Far from having second thoughts about the timing, Tim Starkey, of the Forum theatre in Manchester, where the play will open in the second week of March, says: "The play was written a year ago and we couldn't have written a better script. We might even invite Neil Kinnock and Paddy Ashdown to the first night."

But Labour and Liberal Democrat MPs are not amused by the play, set in a "fictional" marginal constituency in the north of Eng-land called Ashfield. On being told the news yesterday, Frank Haynes, the Labour MP for the real-life Nottinghamshire marginal bearing the same name said: Flipping heck; I have been happily married for 44 years. Not everyone will think this is furny. They should postpone it until after polling day. I am retiring at the election and I'd quite like to see it when I am no longer the MP."

 Meriel Dickinson, a soprano at the English National Opera, might have recalled the words of W.C. Fields about appearing with children and animals after the first night of Kurt Weit's Street Scene at the English National Opera this week. When Dickinson came on stage to announce she was going to walk Queenie, the dog, a cairn terrier, promptly sat down and refused to budge. No amount of persuasion could move her and the hapless soprano was reduced to dragging the dog off, stage right, to the obvious amusement of the audience. Queenie later made a reappearance but Ms Dickinson was taking no chances; Queenie was carried on and off again in her arms.

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SIRENS OF RACISM

Squeezed by the pressures of an impending election, the asylum bill appears doomed for the time being for lack of parliamentary time. If as a result the Tories forbear from playing the racial card in the election campaign, something good will have come out of the loss.

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The replacement of Margaret Thatcher by John Major might have been expected to produce a government more liberal in its attitude to race. Mrs Thatcher was aware of the populist appeal of racism. Immediately after she made her "swamping" remarks about immigration in January 1978, the Conservatives rose five points in the opinion polls. During her tenure support for the National Front all but evaporated.

Mr Major claims to be passionate in his hatred of racism. Why then were his ministers so frantic to get the potentially inflammatory asylum bill on the pre-election agenda? Kenneth Baker, the home secretary, formally announced the bill to cheers at last year's Tory party conference, where he accused his Labour opposite number of "attempting to pander to ethnic minorities". His supposed crackdown on "bogus" refugees inspired a stream of vitriol in the popular press against a "flood" of illegal immigrants. Mr Major should tell his ministers to button their lips in the run-up to the election, even if a bill would still be introduced should he win.

Whichever party is the victor, legislation on asylum must come. Applications for political asylum to Britain reached 50,000 last year, ten times the average over the 1980s. Labour admits the problem, though its proposed bill would concentrate on removing delays. The Tories' bill had its flaws, notably in the brevity of the appellate process, but the government is right to want to cut short the limbo suffered by those whose applications for admission languish for months and years.

With or without a new bill, more civil servants and faster procedures were needed for handling applications. Yet Britain has few of the pressures of some other European states. Over 250,000 refugees applied for asylum in Germany last year and 400,000 are expected this year. Germany's constitution, drawn up in 1949, enshrines rights of asylum that are more liberal than other EC countries. Germany plays host to 60 per cent of all refugees to the EC. Its constitution may be hospitable; its people are less so.

Refugees used to be put up in hostels until such accommodation became too vulnerable to attacks by neo-Nazis. The government has had to move many refugees into guarded camps. Last month, a British high-court judge ruled that a refugee who had fied from Sudan to Germany and thence to Britain should be allowed to stay here, because if he were sent back to Germany, he would be in danger of attack. So refugees are now fleeing from the persecution of refugees.

Meanwhile there has been a rise in support for extreme right-wing parties over much of Europe. Jean-Marie Le Pen's National Front party in France has overtaken the Socialists in opinion polls ahead of local elections in the Paris region next month. Anti-immigrant parties in Italy, Austria and Belgium are reaping votes.

Spain's prime minister, Felipe González, has just warned that illegal immigration is one of the main problems facing Spain and the EC. Refugees and immigrants are indeed a Europe-wide phenomenon. Once borders come down at the end of this year they will aim for the easiest point of entry, both to the east and the south of the EC, hoping then to move freely within the Community. Britain cannot conceivably dismantle all border controls, least of all when other states will certainly be re-erecting theirs.

At the same time, a co-ordinated immigration and asylum policy across the EC is essential. The issue will not vanish. It is becoming the most explosive in all Europe. Some Europe-wide agreement on frontier controls and asylum criteria might at least stiffen the resolve of democratic politicians to resist the seductions of racism.

BATTLE FOR AN ARMY

Nothing is more dangerous to the stability of a nation than a large impoverished army of humiliated men, aimless, leaderless and resentful. The Soviet Army, once a mighty force of over four million men, is now huddled in rotting barracks and temporary camps while the leaders of Russia and Ukraine argue over its future. Failure to agree on the control, financing, size and function of an army that Russia wants to keep together and Ukraine wants to split into national armies will undermine the new Commonwealth of Independent States.

President Yeltsin and President Kravchuk drew back at their meeting in Minsk yesterday from open confrontation, knowing the cost to themselves, their economies and hope of democracy and reform. But Ukraine, Azerbaijan and Moldavia have rejected even a plan for a two-year transition to national armies and insist on going ahead with the creation of their own forces, based on the hardware and manpower now on their territories. Russia is still paying for the Soviet Army and has little room for compromise.

Embittered and indoctrinated Soviet Army officers, still hankering after a united country and angry at Mr Yeltsin's "betrayal" of Soviet power, have spoken in the Russian parliament in support of the former communist apparat. Vice-president Aleksandr Ruiskoi has raised the banner of internal revolt against price rises and privatisation, and against Russia ceding any more power to its "ungrateful" former empire. Mr Yeltsin has already had to miss a meeting with James Baker for emergency talks with the officers of the Black Sea fleet. Three weeks ago he quelled army discontent at a mass

meeting that led to substantial pay rises. The bulk of the Soviet Army is stationed in Russia. Conditions have always been bad, especially for conscripts, but as the standard of living for civilians plummets, the army, with large food and fuel stocks, is relatively better off. However, conscription has virtu-

ally broken down and draft-dodging is widespread. Non-Russian soldiers are slipping away to their republics. The troops returning to Russia from Eastern Europe and those due back from the Baltic republics have nowhere to go: most of the new barracks promised by Germany are for Ukraine. Mr Yeltsin wants to cut numbers by at least 15 per cent and phase out conscription. But the economy cannot absorb more unemployed and a disbanded army of the dissatisfied is a greater danger than a force still subject to disc

Russia will probably take over the old Soviet defence ministry, and the rump of the Soviet Army will become the Russian army. But any attempt to enforce Russian military authority in Ukraine would provoke an immediate clash. Untrammelled sovereignty has been the one consistent demand of Kiev. underestimated by Mr Gorbachev and Mr Yeltsin. Confrontation is less likely with the Central Asian republics. They have little sense of statehood and no wish for a big standing army, however much they may need troops to counter internal ethnic unrest.

Mr Yeltsin must know that Ukraine will go its own way. An eventual compromise may be found in the sensible formula put forward yesterday by Nursultan Nazarbayev, the wily Kazakh leader. He called for a defence union modelled on Nato, and already military officials have been asking Nato details of how it is organised and how sovereign armies can have a unified command. Nato has already set up regular meetings with Eastern Europe leaders, and next month foreign ministers will welcome their counter-

parts from all 11 republics. The West is already helping with the dismantlement of nuclear warheads. It must now use the tested forum of Nato to show that sovereignty and co-operation in defence are compatible. Military suspicions and national rivalries in the former Soviet Union are now the greatest threat to world peace.

POINT OF DECIMAL

The United Kingdom is celebrating the anniversary of the expulsion of an ogre: the ogre of counting its money by twelves and twenties. Decimalisation and metrication were introduced to jerk British commerce and science into harmony with the rest of the world, in order to make them more efficient. Today the Royal Mint announces that decimalisation has come of age. This suggests that the country is not yet entirely regimented into tens, since what is being commemorated is the February 15 of 21 years ago, not the most decimal of numbers.

The decimalisation of the coinage to make life tidier and rescue schoolchildren from long division of pounds, shillings and pence had been mooted for more than three centuries. Plantagenet Palliser staked his reputation on it. The tentative British move towards the change was started in 1849. with the introduction of the florin, representing two shillings. Never mind that the name was coined from the 13th-century gold piece of Florence, which had that city's fleur-de-lys on the reverse.

The British florin represented a tenth of a pound and was accordingly undeniably decimal. It was much disliked at the time, being known as the "godless" florin because it omitted F. D. (Fidei Defensor, defender of the faith), and the "graceless" florin, because it omitted the usual Dei Gratia (by the grace of God). People resent and fear change in the change in their pockets more than any other change imposed by their masters.

The coin will roll full circle this autumn. A smaller 10p is being introduced in September to replace the current "florin", the last

surviving pre-decimal coin. Coins will then come in a roughly ascending scale of size to match their value. The ugly 50p heptagons will still make holes in trouser pockets through which the tiny 5p and worthless 1p discs will slip down into socks. And the Queen's image, looking miraculously as it did 40 years ago, will remain the one constant in our continually changing coinage. And shortage of money rather than the numeration system of the coinage will remain the problem for most people.

The shift to decimalisation and metrication has been patchy and has not brought all the benefits that were promised by the neophiliacs. Britons are slowly believing that 21 C means almost as pleasant a day as 70F. But they still boast about how many miles to the gallon their cars can do. The standardisers of Brussels graciously permit them to drink pints rather than litres of draught beer and to have pintas delivered to their early morning doorsteps. In Brussels-Speak, these are non-transferable goods and therefore not market-distorting. Even the most energetic English milkman is not going to deliver pints

to the doorstep of Jacques Delors. Old measures do represent human sizes. The inch is the top joint of the thumb: the foot proclaims its corporeal origin; and the yard is a more natural stride than a metre for the average man. Americans stick to their miles and inches, pints and gallons, rather than metres and litres. Yet they are not abused as efficiency-averse conservatives. Humankind does not live by decimals alone. But they are easier to count by, so long as Britons are born with five digits to a hand.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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From the President, Institute of

and Wales, and others

ities of directors and auditors.

corporate governance, in

of the auditor.

Apart from the work of the

Accounting Standards Board and

the Auditing Practices Board which

you mention, the profession was in-

strumental in setting up the Cadbury committee on the financial aspects of

because we were concerned about the pressure which the current system

can place on the vital independence

Our three institutes have recently

been given powers under the Com-

panies Act to regulate auditing work,

including direct inspection of prac-

tices for the first time. This move,

which will enable us to fulfil the

public-interest obligations of our

royal charters more effectively, repre-

sents the most dramatic increase in

the regulation of the profession for a

The professional bodies have also

overhauled and strengthened their

disciplinary arrangements, and later this month the three institutes will be

publishing a new guide to professional ethics.

to seeing the outcome of the Cadbury

committee's work, with a view to

implementing its recommendations. Our own work to ensure that ethical

standards keep pace with new trends

in business can never be completed. That "quiet life" which you mention

is certainly no longer available, but we do believe that the profession has

already put in hand the necessary

changes to satisfy all reasonable

critics. Those changes now need time

Accountants in England and Wales,

Accountants in England and Wales, PO Box 433, Moorgate Place, EC2.

Sir, As a former partner in a firm of

major accountants I believe that the

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Yours faithfully, IAN McNEIL, President, The Institute of Chartered

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(President, Ireland),

From Mr P. E. Shirley

THOMAS O'HIGGINS

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Our institutes are looking forward

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Coping with peril Accountants putting office in order of aircraft fires

From Dr Ian R. Hill

Sir. As the pathologist who analysed the findings of the Manchester air the findings of the Manchester air being neglected as your leading disaster of August 1985, I have article (February 10) seems in part to followed with interest the correspondence (February 11) on sprinkler life for the profession in the past two systems for aircraft. I am one of the people who proposed the idea of smoke hoods or masks. This proposal was not, as Mr James Tve suggests in his letter, an easy option, it was based upon the knowledge gained from this accident and a study of previous events.

· People quickly become incapaci-tated in fires. They may then fall over, blocking the escape routes for others. If they survive they will sustain smoke-inhalational injury, which may lead to chronic lung

It has been suggested that smoke hoods may delay the evacuation of aircraft. This is based upon tests using non-toxic smoke, thus the results are not really relevant to the real world of aircraft fires because the effects of incapacitation are not

Sprinklers may well solve the problem, but the evidence presented by researchers and manufacturers at the meeting organised by the Civil Aviation Authority at Gatwick last May showed that many questions remain unanswered. It would seem therefore to be somewhat premature to hail them as the answer. Before this can be done we will have to be assured that they not only put out the fire but that they make the at-mosphere safe to breathe. Also, of course, any sprinkler system must not interfere with the aircraft's systems and structure.

In the meantime, mindful of the risks of aircraft fires, I and my family will continue to carry our smoke hoods every time we fly.

Yours faithfully, IAN R. HILL, The London Hospital Medical Department of Forensic Medicine, Turner Street, E1. February 13.

Somerville's mixture From Professor M. C.

Bradbrook, FBA

Sir, Somerville's image ("Female bastion of academia to surrender status", later editions, February 4) has been more fiercely feminist than Girton's in the present century, its buildings are smaller and cosier. The principal of Somerville said in the Eighties that "whenever the balance tilts in the need to do so, we shall

change". As Mistress of Girton (1968-76), when I heard that King's was going mixed I felt first that my liner had struck an iceberg. It has not gone down. There are still more women teaching fellows alone at Girton than in 1976 (27 against 24). Those who agonise over the decision hope that the gamble will succeed for Somerville as it has for Girton.

And what will happen to Newnham and New Hall at Cambridge? Yours sincerely, MURIEL BRADBROOK, 91 Chesterton Road, Cambridge.

Muck into fuel

February 12.

From Mrs Teresa Gorman, MP for Billericay (Conservative)

Sir, I must correct the impression given by Matthew Parris in his political sketch today that my ques-tion to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry was anything other than serious and straightforward.

It referred to the enterprise of Cory Environmental, which has set up a new plant at Mucking Flats in my constituency, to convert methane gas from London's waste into electricity and sell it to the national grid. It is commonplace at question time for MPs to draw attention to innovation of this sort and I am surprised that any other interpretation could be placed on my comments.

Yours faithfully, TERESA GORMAN. House of Commons. February 13.

Order of the bath

From the Reverend Andrew Body Sir, I am grateful for the statistics on Britain's bathroom activities (report, February 12; letters, February 14). We find that our old-fashioned and generous sized bath is the only convenient place in which to wash out our musical son's tuba.

Yours sincerely, ANDREW BODY. St Mary's Vicarage, 22 Harlow Oval, Harrogate, North Yorkshire.

Clergy job losses From the Reverend E. M. T.

Sir, In your report of February 12 on clergy job losses in the Durham diocese you refer to the suspension of the right of presentation to all freeholds as another of the diocesan "rationalisation" plans.

In the letter from the bishops announcing these plans there is a third prong to the package: apart from half-a-dozen or so newly ordained deacons, no appointments will be made from outside the diocese in the foreseeable future.

ful giving from the congregations. It will also quickly result in the formation of sterile closed-shops in this diocese and in those others which are adopting similar methods. It will do little to meet the underlying problem, represented by the average giving per head of the membership of the Church — about £3 a week.

A spiritual and forward lead from Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They

This triple measure will be counter-productive in inhibiting joy-

may be sent to a fax number (071) 782 5046.

partnerships have become ever larger. More and more time of senior partners has been absorbed in management and administration

Sir, Accountancy reform, far from and less on client business. Firms earn their large fees by delegating work to junior staff. A suggest, has become almost a way of senior partner who takes a day to do some work at £300 an hour is better to three years and began well before value and will probably provide a the corporate collapses of 1991 focused attention on the responsibilbetter service than a manager at £100 an hour who takes a week.

More effective competition would be obtained by breaking accounting firms into smaller units. This would be best achieved by forcing them to divest themselves of insolvency. management consultancy, tax and other non-audit work. This would reduce conflicts of interests and promote competition.

For example, accountants are making large sums out of major liquidations because of their ability to put large numbers of audit staff who, as a result of the recession would otherwise not be working, onto major liquidations to do mundane work. If insolvency firms were separated from audit firms they could make separate bargains for such staff and there would be more rigorous control over what staff are ctually needed.

Yours faithfully, PHILIP SHIRLEY, P. E. Shirley & Co. (Chartered accountants), 24 Lime Street, EC3.

From Mr Donald B. Butcher

Sir. Your leader comments on the professional role of the accountant throughout the life and sometimes death of the company, but you do not refer to the fact that many British companies are run by boards domi-nated by those with accountancy training. This is not surprising since the UK has so many accountants per head of population.

Clearly people want to employ their talents if only to defeat the selfimposed complexity of our tax system, to take but one example. Presumably only a minority of us think and act otherwise.

Mr John Chittock (letter, February 12) rightly quotes Mr Akio Morito, chairman of Sony Corporation, as expressing astonishment at the many UK corporations run by chartered accountants rather than by chief executives with an understanding of engineering. Perhaps Ogden Nash had a point.

Professional people have no cares, Whatever happens, they get theirs. Yours faithfully. DONALD B. BUTCHER problem of high charges is not the (Management and engineering congultant).

any BBC rental charges are subject to regulation by Oftel.

British Broadcasting Corporation, White City, 201 Wood Lane, W12.

From the Chairman of Classic FM

Sir. There is no evidence to justify the

statement in your leader that the INR1 licence-holder, Classic FM. "has already been in trouble".
Classic FM's fund-raising was

over-subscribed; our media share-

holders include TimeWarner, Asso-

ciated Newspapers and GWR Group; our initial approaches to potential media clients have met with

an excellent response; we are cur-

rently in the process of constructing

our national transmitter network:

and we are planning to open for business in the second half of this

We are also looking forward to the

arrival of the second and third INR

licence-holders, when awarded, add-

ing further to the impact of national

independent radio as an enter-

tainment and advertising medium.

Yours faithfully, HENRY MEAKIN,

Chairman, Classic FM.

Cosway Street, NW1.

Aspen House, Christ Church,

Yours sincerely,

BILL DENNAY

(Director of Engineering),

bureaucratic and wasteful ways in which they run their business 12 Burgh Heath Road, Since the abolition of the 20-partner limit in 1967 professional Epsom, Surrey. February 12.

National radio

From Mr C. W. Dennay

Sir, Your editorial ("Nothing on the-radio", February 5) concerning the second national radio network made reference to the "exorbitant cost of renting public-sector transmitters, a price partly dictated by union agree-ments". Each element of this is worthy of comment.

The use of the word "union" can only be explained, I think, if it refers to the International Telecommunications Union. This is an agency of the United Nations, is not a trade union and is charged with regulating the use of the radio spectrum for the benefit of all users. It has, therefore, little involvement with any pricing

The operators of INR2 are not obliged to rent public-sector transmitters (I assume a reference to the BBC); they are free to build and operate their own equipment should

they so choose. The rental that would be charged by the BBC for use of the existing modern transmitter network covers the depreciated capital costs, operation, monitoring, maintenance and electricity costs — the last being a significant cost element.

"Exorbitant" is an emotive word; it must, of course, be remembered that

EC and environment From Mr R. L. Vigars

Sir. The European Community's proposals for environment assessments to be carried out at the begin-ning of the planning process which, you have reported (February 5), are opposed by the government are very relevant in relation to the Department of Transport's plans for major road schemes for the A26 and A27 which threaten the unique South Downs area between Lewes and Polegate, including Firle Beacon.

The department has invited public comment on options but states that a full environmental assessment will be made only after a firm route has

been selected from the options, and then only an assessment of the impact of the selected route. How can an intelligent choice of

route be made without such an assessment? What is the purpose of an assessment after the decision has already been taken? It can only be an expensive and meaningless whitewash.

The Community's proposals would end this farce and provide a real safeguard against uninformed desecration of this - and other landscapes of outstanding natural beauty. Yours faithfully,

R. L. VIGARS, 24 Cope Place, W8.

bishops and diocesan "senior" staff is now required. Meanwhile, a steady stream of able young men and women who are ready to give properly - a tithe of their incomes? - is moving out of the established Church into the "community churches" and other independent assemblies where they see freedom from diocesan bureaucracy on the one hand and from theological liberalism on the other. Yours faithfully,

EDWARD UNDERHILL St George's Vicarage, 327 Durham Road, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear.

Bending the ears of opera buffs

From Mr Michael Cumberlin

Sir, The Royal Opera House is giving us a splendidly sung and absorbingly staged Don Giovanni. The "suritiers", alas, have not done so well. Donnas Anna and Elvira hurl a rich range of expletives at their tormentor — scellerato, assassino, barbaro, l'empio, sciagurato, perfido mostro, briccone, fellone, etc., but the best that can be managed in translation is "bastard" for almost everything. An illegitimate procedure, surely?

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL CUMBERLIN. llo Haldens, Welwyn Garden City, Hernfordshire. February 11.

From Mrs R. T. Holtby Sir. Nice opera: shame about the subtitles (on television) and surtitles (in the opera house). To nick the words of those classy toffs on stage: "Get lost, you bastard, I've had it!"

Yours faithfully. MARY HOLTBY, 4 Hunon Hall, Huttons Ambo, York. February 11.

From Mr George C. Cernoch

Sir. All our lives we have had to be content with translations of the Da Ponte text that have come to us from publishers and record companies but now, thanks to the BBC and last night's broadcast from Covent Garden, we are privileged to obtain new insights from a translation into what passes for English by David Stevens.

In the first scene Donna Anna's father, the elderly commendatore, orders the don to release her and engage him instead. Giovanni's reply is: "Va, non mi degno di pugnar teco", hitherto understood to mean: "Go, I will not deign to fight with you". Mr Stevens's elegant version runs: "Get lost, you are not worth

fighting". Masetto's bricconaccia is rendered as "you little slut" instead of rascal. Perfido mostro (perfidious monster) becomes bastard, as do indegno, iniquo and perfido (unworthy, iniquitous, and perfidious one), while Leporello's anguished "O Signor, siam tutti morti" is given as "We've

all had it". Mr Stevens, with a luminous delicacy that never ceases to warm our hearts, has Giovanni saying. translates Zerlina's "Mi trema un poco il cor" ("My heart trembles a little") as "My heart is thumping."
All in all, as an exercise in

undiluted vulgarity it can have few eouais. Yours faithfully, GEORGE C. CERNOCH, Chalcot House,

1 Chalcot Square, Regent's Park, NW1. February 11.

From Mr Alan Gibbs

Sir, Watching Don Giovanni live from the Royal Opera House last night, I asked myself why this increasingly expensive entertain-ment could not be broadcast live more regularly. The BBC's patronage would help fund the Opera House's deficit and provide access to opera to the millions of licence holders who are, through taxes, subsidising it but are unable to afford over £100 per night per ticker. Yours faithfully,

ALAN GIBBS, 16 Edwardes Square, W8. February 11.

Lords and ladies From Ms Lesley Abdela

Sir, Professor Lord Beloff's letter (February 5) does indeed show he inhabits that most ivory of ivory towers: the Lords.

There are about 800 hereditary seats in the Upper House; several hundred of these peers attend debates at some time during the year. Except for around 20, from an early and refreshing Scottish tradition, all are kept for the oldest male. Debrett's tell me that at least two boys are waiting to take their seats on reaching their majority. Both have

elder sisters. Nor, as the figures show, has the life peerage system proved any bet-ter; for every female life peer created there are seven men.

Yours truly, LESLEY ABDELA. The Lodge, Conock Manor, Nr Devizes, Wiltshire. February 8.

Word imperfect

From Mr Peter du Sautov

31 Lee Road.

Sir. Philip Howard's article (. . . and moreover, February 8) about the pronunciation of certain awkward but useful words prompts me to ask about genre. It is almost impossible to pronounce it in an English sentence without sounding pedantic or superior - or feeling a bit embarrassed. But it is very useful and there does not seem to be an alternative in English. Or is there? Yours faithfully PETER du SAUTOY,

Aldeburgh, Suffolk. Weekend Money letters, page 26



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 14: Her Excellency Dr Sally J. Kosgei was received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon relinquishing her appointment as High Commissioner for Kenya in London.

Sir Roger Hervey was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appoint-ment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Mexico City.
Lady Hervey was also received
by Her Majesty.

General Sir John Chapple was received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Aide-de-Camp General to Her Majesty and Chief of the General Staff, when Her Majesty pre-sented him with his Field Marshal's Baton.

His Excellency Sheikh Nasser H. Almangour and Madame Almanqour were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Saudi Arabia to the Court of St James's, and upon retiring as Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps. national President of WWF - World Wide Fund for Nature. held a Statutes Review Committee Meeting at Buckingham Palace

KENSINGTON PALACE February 14: The Prince of Wales, Colonel, Welsh Guards, was represented by Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Miller at the Memorial Service for Sergeant Major Cyril Phillips which was held today at the Guards Chapel, London SW1.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

February 14: The Duke of Kent, Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, this morning visited ABB Signal Limited Estover Close, Plymouth and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Devon (Lieutenant Colonel the Earl of Morley).

His Royal Highness later vis-ited Toshiba Consumer Products (UK) Limited, Porsham Close, Roborough and this afternoon visited Sola Wetsuits and Valk, Devonport, Plymouth.
Captain the Hon Tom Coke

Crook, former editor, The Times Literary Supplement, 80; Mr F.G.R. Cuming, painter, 62; Mr Anthony Dowell, ballet dancer,

49: Mr David Emms, director, London Goodenough Trust for

Overseas Graduates, 67: Sir Geraint Evans, baritone, 70; Lord

Franks, OM, 87: Professor Jack Levy, mechanical engineer, 66; Mr John McEnroe, tennis player, 33; Sir Maidand Mackie, former

Lord Lieutenant of Aberdeen-shire, 80: Sir Michael Milne

Watson, former chairman, Bupa, 32; Sir John Peck, diplomat, 79;

Mr Peter Porter, poet, 63; Mr John Schlesinger, film director, 66; Sir Kenneth Selby, former

president. Bath and Portland Group, 78; Sir James Swaffield.

former director-general and Clerk to the GLC, 68; Mr Justice

Weekend birthdays

TODAY: Sir Harold Beeley, dip-lomat, 83; Sir William Bentley, diplomat, 65; Miss Claire Bloom, actress, 61; Sir Stephen Brown, former chairman, Stone-Platt Industries. 86; Mr Dan Crompton, shire. 51: Sir Arthur de la Mare. diplomat, 78: Mr Justice Drake, 69; Mr Frank Dunlop, former director, Edinburgh International Festival, 65; the Count-ess of Dysart, 78; Mr Paul Ferris, author, 63; Mr Gerald Harper, actor and broadcaster, 63; the Jones, jockey, 42; the Earl of Mar and Kellie. 71; Sir Richard O'Brien, former chairman, Manpower Services Commission, 72; Mr C.F. Payne, former chief constable, Cleveland, 62; Mr Tim Powell, former chairman, Massey-Ferguson, 80; Mr W.K. Reid, the Ombudsman, 61; Miss Jane Seymour, actress, 41; Miss Clare Short, MP. 46; Mr P.J. Squire, headmaster, Bedford Modern School, 55; Sir Adrian Swire, chairman. John Swire and Sons,

Service dinners

RN College, Greenwich The Lord Mayor of Westminster was the guest of honour at a ladies guest night dinner held last night at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. Commander E.F.M. Searle, commander of the college,

60: Sir George Taylor, botanist,

RMAS Marne Company Intake VIII RMAS dired on the 40th Anniversary of Commissioning at the RGJ London Club on February 8, 1992. Mr Roy Trustram Eve presided with Colonel Broke

Dinner

Royal College of Radiologists The President of the Royal College of Radiologists and Mrs Craig were hosts at a dinner held last night at 38 Portland Place for members of council and their guests.

Institute of Physics The following have been elected to Fellowship of the Institute of

Physics:

Mr R A Ballingall, Defence Research Agency; Dr S J Bell-Burnell, Open University: Dr F R Bissell, Lancashire Polytechnic: Professor S Cassano, University: Dr F R Bissell, Lancashire Polytechnic: Dr Walliams, David, multerford Appliechnic: Dr Walliams, David, multerford Appliechnic: Dr Walliams, Professor J Mr Gunn, University of Birmingham; Professor S Hagsan, Alm Shams University. Cairo; Dr S S Hoq, Islamic University of Uganda: Professor G R Isaak. University of Birmingham; Professor D Birmingham; Professor J Marmingham; Dr G T Jones, University of Birmingham; Professor J Lancashiry of Callinge; Professor F L Knight, Imperial College; Professor F L Knight, Imperial College; Professor J Mathon, Cly University of Callinomia, Berkely; Professor J Mathon, Cly University of Saylore; India: Dr R H Varcy, National Power Technology and Environment Centre Dr P J Webser, University of Saylord; Dr Williams, Aeroplane and Armamment Experimental Establishment.

Edgehill College, Devon -

The Governors are pleased to announce the following f No. Scholarships and Exhibitions for September 1992: Scholarship: Erika Robinson. Exhibitions: Miriam Blakey, Victoria Hoyle, Diana Scott. Music Scholarship: Lorna Mock. Music Exhibition: Rachael

Loretto/Heriot-

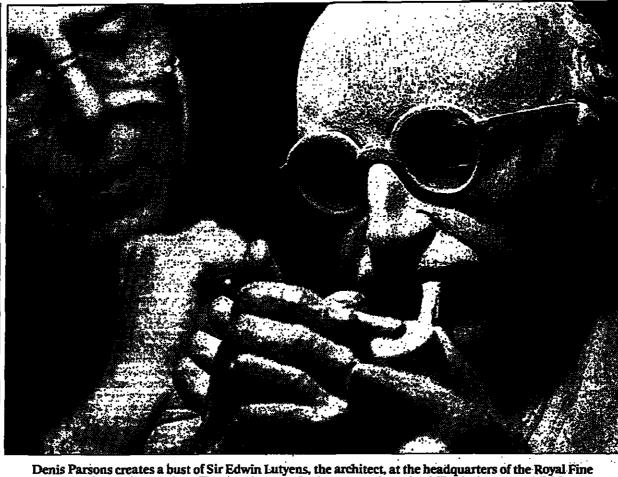
Laurence.

Watt essay prize The Loretto/Heriot-Watt Univer-

sity Essay Prize 1992 "Can Britain Succeed in The New Europe?" is open to all pupils in full-time education. The prize will be a study/leisure visit to Brussels, including time spent at the head-quarters of the European Commission (Berlaymont) and other related institutions in the European Community. The prizewinner will be announced at the 1992 Loretto/Heriot-Wart Lecbe a study/leisure visit to Brussels. ture to be given by Mr Gavin Laird, CBE, General Secretary of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, in the Theatre, Loretto, Union, in the Theatre, Lorento, near Edinburgh on Thursday, May 14, 1992. Entry forms may be obtained from: The Headmaster, Industry and the Community 1992. Loretto, Musselburgh, Midlothian, EH21 7FF

Lecture

Montgomeryshire Society
Professor Kenneth Morgan, Principal of University College of
Wales, Aberystwyth, delivered the
first June Gruffydd memorial lecture to the Montgomeryshire Society last night at the British Academy. Mr Edward Haynes, president, was in the chair and Lord Hooson, QC, also spoke.



Art Commission in London. The wood carver is demonstrating his skills during an exhibition to highlight the work of the commission in conservation and improving architectural standards

Mr Horace Cyril Phillips

The Prince of Wales was repre-

sented by Lieutenant-Colonei Sir John Miller at a service of thanks-giving for the life of Mr Horace Cyril Phillips held yesterday in the

Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks. The Rev J.A. Barrie, Chap-

lain to the Household Division,

Senior Chaplain Woolwich Gami-

son, officiated. Mrs Claire Kent,

daughter, and Mr Eric Johnson read the lessons. Major-General Sir Philip Ward gave an address.

Mas Phillips (widow), Mr and Mrs G J Phillips (son and daughte-in-law), Mr G John (brother-in-law), Miss A Phillips (daughter); the Earl of Straithfore and kinghorne, Lord Sandys, Lord and Lady Strabolgi, Lady Bowler, Elizabeth Lady

Among others present were:

Latest wills

Latest wills include (net, before tax paid): 88: Mr Justice Ward, 54; the Right Rev R.W. Woods, former Lilian Margaret Jeff. of Lechlade, Gloucs£508,676. Mr Norman Cecil Poultney, of TOMORROW: Mr P.E.R. Bai-Edith Povel Ravenscroft, of Rhosley, former director, Gatwick and Stansted airports, 67; Mr Arthur

on-Sea, Clwyd. £831,210. Mr Walter Reginald Cecil Rice, of Andover, Hants £643,394. Mrs Winifred Alexandra Sanders, of Balcombe, West Sussex 1793,925.

Diners in dock

The historic crown court building at Bodmin, Cornwall, which has been empty since 1988 when the court was moved 25 miles to Truro, is to be converted into a restaurant.

Memorial service

rimip wate, Johns Nobel Setter Rogers representing The Bines and Royals, Ballor R D Lew's (The Weish Guards Association), Metsenger Sergeant Major Traylor (The Queen's Body Guard of the Yeomen of the Goard, Major-General and Miss Festr Tower, Colonel and Miss Alan Fermberton, Colonel and Miss Alan Fermberton, Colonel Shaut Ongsdon.

C Drouet, Major John Lesch, Major W E Mathews, Major D Rankth-Huni, Major E C Weaver, Mass S Crichton-Suart, Canon James Mannell, Rev Dr D R Say, Mr Gordon Frankin, Mr Peter Hartley, Mrs T Johnson, Mrs E Johnson, Mrs T St Aubpin, Miss A Johnson, Mr and Mrs R Totheson, Mr and Mrs R Totheson, Mr and Mrs D Edwards, Mr and Mrs R Fowles, Mr Mr and Mrs D Edwards, Mr and Mrs R Fowles, Mrs R Thomas, Mr and Mrs D Lambourne, Major and Mrs E Pridham, Mrs L Jenkins, Mrs Mr Million, Mr J Henkins, Mrs M Williams, Mr E Pridham, Mr S C Yddesley, Mr S Morgan, Mr H Jenkins, Mrs M Williams, Mr A Phillips, Mr and Mrs W Sack, Mr and Mrs S Edwards, Mr R Histop, Caption Mr M Calvert, Mr M Rishop, Caption Mr M Calvert, Mr M Rishop, Caption M R Cart, Mr and Mrs P Gate, Mr anu MES S Hancheson, Mr M Calvert, Mr M Bishop, Captein M R Catr, Mr and Mes P Cater, Mr V Jewell, Mrs V Pollard, Mrs S Simmonds, Mr and Mrs W W Sullytress, Mr D Waters, Mrs J Willins, Mr. Peter Wright and Regimental Surgean Major D Cox and Regimental Surgean Major D Cox and Regimental Surgean C Coull (New and Victory College, RMAS).

Church services tomorrow

Ninth Sunday before Easter

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL 8 HC: 9.30 M; 9.30 S Euch (Our Lady Undercroft): 5 Each, Mass for five voices (Byrd), O asses and see (Vaughan Williams). The Procession in the Corons, Responses (Leighnon), Stanford in C, Ecce quomodo mortin; Justus (Handit, 6.30 Sermon & Compline, Rev. J H R de Sausmarks). Hilling 6.30 Serrion & Compline, Rev J H R de Sausmartz.

YORK MINEDER: 8 & 8.45 RC; 10 S Each, Mast for four voices (Byrd), Are verum - earpus (Byrd), Croon J Toyr-11.30 H, Responses (Wiesand, Collegium Regale showelsk 4 &) Responses (Smith), Short Service (Bioopen, Give is the wings of halth, Ven I, Stambridge: 6.30 Service for Reluction Sunday, Rt Rev A Chesters.

ST FADIS CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30, Responses (Holmes), To Deum & Jubilate (Sunday) of Ling Responses (Holmes), To Deum & Jubilate (Sunday) of Ling Rose Rose (Tyd, Avevenum corpus (Elgalt, 1.15 & The Goucester Service (Howelist, He loveth righteousness and Judgment (Crof), Ven J Surgess.

WESTMINISTER ABSENT: 8 HC. 10 M. RESPONSES (RESIDIOS, BOYCE in C. The people will tell (Handel), Carnon D Gray; 11.15 Abbey Each, Mass (Lewis), O Este and see (Vaughan Williams), CHION D Gray; 3 E. Stanford in A. Bersed to the God and Father (Wesley), R. Rev J Monigomery; 5.45 Organ rechait 6.30 Rev A Luf.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 HC. 11 Euch, Mass in E minor (Casseda), O Laste and see (Gossi, O Saviour of the World (Goss), Rev N Worn; 3 E. Stanford in B flat, Bearl quorum via (Stanford), The Provost.

WESTMINISTER CATHEDRAL: 98-855; 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30, 7; 10.30 SM, Mass (Stravicsky), OJ hasti medinabinur saplentiam (Bruckner), Chavit explention (Bruckner), Chavit explention (Bruckner), South of Stanford (Dyrd), Fridude & Fugue in F sharpminor (Bauchude), 2.30 Organ recipal; 3.30 Solemin V & B. Megnifica primi uni (Victoria), Ave less Christe (Philips), Songan IV J S Bach).

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 6 LM (Sagi, 8, 10 (Children's Service), 6 LM; 11.30 HM, Missa brevis (Gabriell), Ave verum (Bigar), Fr A Barren.

Gardelli, Ave veram (Elgar, Fr A Barrat.
GREEK DRIHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DIVINE WISDOM. MOSCOW Rd, W2.
9.30 M: 11 Divine Liming.
RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD, Emismore Gdrs, SW7: 10.30 Divine Liming.
SERBIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVA. Lancaster Rd, W11: 10.30 Divine Liming.
THE CHAPEL ROYAL St. James's Palace 2.30 Hc; 11.15 Mp. The beavens are telling (Haydn), Canon E A James!
ROYAL HOSPITAL Cheise, SW3: 11 M. Out Frither (Rose), Faire is the heaven's (Harris), Figure in D minor of S Bach), The Chapisin.

The Clapiain.

QUEEN'S CHAFEL OF THE SAVOY.

WC2: 11 M. To Down Hoist. The
heavens are telling (Haydo). The
Capalain: 12.30 HC.

GUARDS CHAFEL. Wellington Sarracks, SW: 11 M. Teach me. O Lori
(Auropod). To Dount. There is an old
belief (Pany). Rev C R w Gilbert. 12 HC.

LINCOLN'S INN CHAFEL: 11.30 MP &

TOWER OF LONDON, ECS: 11 M & Sermon. Besponses (tumkins), Te Deum, Jubliate Dácison in G, Remember Not. Lord. Our Offences (Purceil). Rev H Mead. Rev H Mead.

TEMPIE (EBURCH, Fleer Street, ECA:
8-30 HC; 11-15 MP, Responses (William
Smith), Honour and fishanks to Good (I's
Bach), Te Deaten Landamus (Howels),
Jubilate Deo (Noble in B minot), And I
saw a new heaven and new darin
(Edgar Bainton), Rev P J W Bucklet.

ST CLEMENT BANKS (RAF Church)
WCL: 9 & J2-15 HC; 11 M, Rev A T R
GOODE. Goode

Euch, Rev Canon P Delaney.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret street, Wi: 8 &
5.15 LM; 11 EM, Messe solemnelle(Viernel, O sacrum convivum Guesrevo), Rev P McGeuty; 6 E & B, The
Magdalen Service (Leighnon), Christe
qui lux er et dies (Byrd), The Vicar. ALL SOULS, Langham Place, Wi: 11 (HC) Rev J Cook: 6.30 Rev S Wooksy. CHRISEA OLD CRUNCH, Cherry WHOLES, SW3: 8 EC 10 Children's Service 11 M: 6 E. CHRIST CHURCE, CHELSEA, SW3: 8 HC 11 S FOCh, Rev S Actand. GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Andles HC 11 S Evch. Rev S Aciend.
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley
Street 8.15 ffC 11 S Euch, MissaBilensis (Wills), Teach me O Lord (Byrd),
Set me as a seal (Walnon), Postlude
(Schroeder), Rev A W Marks. HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road, SW7: 10.30 Family & HC, Rev J A K Miller, 6.30 Informal Service & HC, Rev J A K Miller.

Miller:
ROLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road.
SW7: 8.30 HC; II Choral HC, Rev Dr M
(STRE).
HOLY TRINITY. Stoane Street. SW1:
8.45 HC; II S Euch, Rev E Yates.
ST ALBAN'S. Brooks St. EC1: 9.30 SM;
II KM, Mista simile est regnum
caelorum (Lobo). Rev R Bence: 5.30 LM. IT RIM. Missa simile est regoum caelorum (Lobo), Rev R Bence: 5.30 LM.

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT.
Smithfield. ECI: 9 HC. 11 M & RC. Ireland in F. O Lord, look down (namishild. The Recor. 6.30 Choral Euch. Byrd (Four part), Ave vertum corpus (Byrd), Rev A Winter.

ST BRIDE'S, Free Street. ECK: 11 Choral M & Euch. Jubilate Standord in C. Missa brevis (Freston). Und carlasy Tantum ergo (Dutudié, Rev C Lowson: 6.30 Choral E. Responses (Byrd), First service (Paustons). Sing the Lord. ye volces all (Eaydn), Rev C Lowson.

ST COTRIBERT'S. Philosech. Gardens SWS: 10 HC: 11 S Euch. L'bora Passa (Viladara). Thou with keep him in perfect peace (Wesley), Rev J Vine.

ST GEORGE'S. Bloomsbury. WCI: 10 Euch: 6.30 EP. Fr M Day.

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VELLER RESPONSE THE RECOVER.

ST GRIEBE-IN-THE-FREEDS. SI GRIEB
HIGH SL WCZ: B & 12 HC. It MP, REYP
FRUNCH: 6.30 EP, REYP PRINCH.

ST LAMES'S. MUSWELL HILL NIG: B HC.
10.30 Morning Worship, Preb M
Bunker; 6.30 EP.

ST JAMES'S, Sussex Gardens, W2: 8 BC: 10.30 S Each, Messa Quarti tool (Victoria), Blessed are the (Victoria), Biessed are the pure in heart (Daviet), Eer B Gallowsy: 5 Choral E. St John's Service (Tippett), And I saw a new Heaven (Bainton), The Vicar. ST JOHN'S. Hyde Park Crescen HC (said); 10 Parish Command O Ross; 6.30 ES, Mrs Jul Can Frith.

3T 10WFS, Chelses, SWI: 6 & 12.15
HC: 10.30 S Euch, Idean O Quamgloriostam est (victoria), Almighty and
everlasting God (Gilboond, Rev M
Vigent 6.30 E, Through the day thy love
hast spared us (bisoer). ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC; 10 Rumlly HC; 11: 8 Euch. Schuhert in G, Ave Maria (Bruch), Rev J Humbie. MARGARETS, Westminster, SWI: S Each, Missa Papee Marcelli lescina), O saluzaris hostia (How-), Canon A Harvey. ST MARTIN-UN-TERE-FIGLISS, WC2: 8 HC 9.45 Each Mass Stollard, Camilione de Jean Racine (Frant). Are verum corpus (Elgar), Rev A Chairmer: 11.30 Visitors to London Service, Rev J Pridmoner 12.30 Sc. 2.45 Calonese Service & HC, Rev Jopce Bennest; 5 Choral E, Justornan animase (Byrd), The Short Service (Bryd): 6.30 ES, Healing Service, The Vicar.

ST MARY'S, Bosime Street, SW1: 9, 9.45, 7 LM; 11 HM; Missa Simile est repnum Caelorum (Victoria), Fr B, Scott 6 Solemn E & B.

ST MARYS, Primrose Hill, NWS; 8 SC; 10.30 Parish Euch, Missa Fhora passa; (Viadana), Teach me O Lord (Byrd), Reviouma Yates.

ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road. WI: 5 EC. 11 Choral Each, Missa Choralis (Liszh, Teach me O Lord (Byrd), The Record & 30 EP.

The Recipit 6.30 EP.

SY MARY-LE-STRAND (WRNS Church).

SYRING WC2: 11 Suring Communical Rev
O Clarke.

ST MATTHEW'S, Great Peter St, SWI: 8
LM: 10 SM, Music (Martin Shaw). Rev R
Crawford: 4.30 Syrian Orthodox Mass.
Fr Ephrem Eartin: 6.30 LM.

ST MICHAEL'S. Chester Square, SWI:
8.15 RC; 11 MP: 7 Informal ES & HC at
Grey Coat Mospital Lower School,
Graham Terrace and Informal ES at Sr
James the Less. Vauzhali Bridge Road. James the Less. Vaurhall Bridge Road.

FT MICHAEL'S. Combill. EC3: 11

Choral Euch. Misse Brovis (Leopold Mozard. Are verum (W & Mozard. 10.30

Ramily HC. 6.30 Informal Service.

ST PAUL'S. Wilton Flace, 5W1: 8 & 9

HC. 11 Solemn Euch. Mass for five volces (Byrd). Come, let us go up (Tomkins). Let my complaint come before thee (Banten). Rev H Ruschmeyer.

ST PETER'S. Eason Square. SW1: 8.15

HC. 10 Family Mass: 11 5M. Misse Arcendens Christus (Victoria). Adolescentulus sum ego (Mundy). FT D Tülyer.

ST SMON EXLOTES, Milner Street.

SW3: 5 HC. 11 Parish Communion (Leighton). Uto caritas (Hersched Hill). Are Verum corpus (Elgar). Rev G James: 6.30 E. Rev G James.

AVEAL A'S CHITRICH OF SCOT-DUNIEST:
CROWN DOORT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, COVERT GARDEN, WZ: 11.15 &
6.30 Rev H Similey C Hood.
THE ABSURPFROM, Warwick Street,
Wi: 11, Missa seeman Christ muncez
Palestring, Drop, drop slow tests
(Gibbond, Laudsite nomen Domini
Trye). CHURCH OF OUR MOST HOLY DEEMER, Chayne Row, SW3: 10, 12.15 & 6.30 Fr P Nolan. PARMETER STATE OF P NOISE.

PARM SERVEY, WI: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15; 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 EM; Imende voces cratione men (Edgat). Misses brevis (Dochum), Beatl quorum via Company Hostin (Edgat). Stanforth, O Salutaris Hostic (Eiger).

THE ORATORY, Encouptor Road, SW7:

7. 8. 9, 10, 11 When, Missa brevis
(Buttelande, Vistra quaetimus Dominie
(Byrd, 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & R. O
bone Jeso (Dering).

ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Flace 11,
Missa brevis (Berkeley), Ave Maria
(Eiger, Prelude & Regue on a theme of
Victoria (Briten).

ST MARY'S, Cadogan Street, SW3:
Masses 8.30, 10, 11, 12.15 & 6.30.

GUR LADV (GV VICTORIES, Kensingson
Eigh Street, W8: 6.30 LM (Sal; 2.30, 10,
12.30, 6.30 LM: 11.15 SW (Latin).

AMERICAN (SEIGRES): NI LONDOW, High Street, Wr. 6.30 LM (Sad): 8.30, 10, 12.30, 6.30 LN: 11.15 SM (Latin).

AMERICAN CHURCE IN LONDOW, Touccham Court Rd, Wr. 9.45 Sunday School: 11 Worship, Rev R Allison.

CITY TEMPIR, Holborn, ECI: 10.30, Rev R Dorey.

CHRISEA METHODIST CHURCA, King's Road, SW3: 11 Mr G Franklin: 6 Rev M Braddy.

HINDE STREET METHODIST CHURCA, Willing's Road, SW3: 11 Mr G Franklin: 6 Rev M Braddy.

HINDE STREET METHODIST CHURCA, Church William Color Methodist.

REMSINGTON TEMPIR. (Charismanic).

Novid Shearman: 11 Chiebration, David Shearman: 2.30 Celebration, Chris Cauwright. 6.30 Baytism, Colin Dyc; 9 Club Might. Hazel Cartledge.

REMSINGTON URC, Allen Street, WS: 11 Rev D Skin.

REGENT SQUAME URC (Presbybrians/Congregational), Tavistock Flace, WCI: 11 Rev R Swelme: 5.30 Pligrim's Praise.

SALVATION ARMY (Regent Raill, Opford St WI: 11 Major Chunt 6.30 Mrs Major Maureten Rum.

ST ANDREWS URC, Prognal Lane

NWS: 11 Rev Dr P Morgan. WESLEY'S CHAPEL Chy Road, EC2: 9.45 HC: 11 MS, Rev P Hulme. WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Medi-polist), SWI: 11 Rev D Banner, 6.30 Rev Or R John Tudor. WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham GRESWI: 11, 6,30 Rev Dr R T Kendall. WESTMINSTER MEETING SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (Quakers), 52 St Marrins LE WC2: 11, Meeting for worship.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.P. Harvey and Miss A.C.B. McIntosh

The engagement is announced

between John, son of the late Mr and Mrs Benjamin Harvey, of London, and Anne, daughter of

Dr and Mrs Alastair McIntosh,

The engagement is announced

between Lieutenant David Robert

On Ewing, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment),

elderson of Mr and Mrs C.D. Our

Ewing, of Torhousemuir,

Wigtownshire and Sally Karrine elder daughter of Colonel and

Mrs R.S.B. Watson, of Edin-

The engagement is announced

between Alexander, son of De

Heer and Meyrouw Antoon

of Teesdale, Co Durham.

Mr D.R. Orr Ewing

and Miss S.K. Watson

Mr C.D. Banghan and Miss J.J. Beckett

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Wing Commander and Mrs R.D. Baughan, of Ringmore. Devon. and Ilona, eldest daughter of Mr S.C.J. Beckett, of Bournemouth, Dorset, and Mrs D.E. Beckett, of Poole, Dorset.

Mr S.E.B. Belcher

and Miss A.E.T. Arliss The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Dr and Mrs H.E.B. Beicher, of Kiambu, Kenya, and Amanda, daughter of Major R.T. Arliss, of Lightwater, Surrey, and Mrs J.R. Arliss, of Natrobi, Kenya. Colonel R.A. Bell, retd and Mrs L Turk

The engagement is announced between Robert Adam Bell, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Patricia Marion Turk, widow of Ian Turk, of Farnham, Surrey. Mr J.G. Edwards and Miss L.C. Binns

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs D.H. Edwards, of Trentham, Stoke-on-Trent, and Lucy, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.M. Binns, of Lichfield, Staffordshire.

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Middle East

Verhees, of Leende, Netherlands, and Rowena, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Chesworth. of Langham, Norfolk

De Heer A.F. Verbees

and Miss R.M. Chesworth

Times Guide to the Marriage Mr M.D. Polaine tion of this new background guide to the history and politics of the Arab world and its neighbours.

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Mr M.D. Polaine
and Miss L.G. Ung
The marriage took place on
Friday. December 27, 1991, in
Penang, Malaysia, of Mr Martin
Polaine, only son of Mr and Mrs
G.A. Polaine, of Loughton, Essex,
to Miss Ung Lay Gaik, daughter
of the late Mr Ung Hock Hai and
of Madame Goh Guat Cheng, of
Penang, Malaysia. A blessing and
reception for family and friends
will be held in England at a later
date.

(Guildford).
The Rev Canon Peter R Huxham, Team
Rector, Parkstone (Salisbury): to be full-

Church news

Clergy appointments
The Rev. J. C. Peter Barton, Vicar, Malmeshary w Westport and Broken-borough (Bristol): to be also a Chron of St. Peter's Cathedral, Ragarman, Rabele (Church of Ugandal, and Canon Commissary of the Bishop of Kiged). The Rev Geoffing E Bennett, Assistant Cursic, St. Manhews, Ipewich (St. Edmundshury and Ipewich; to be Curate, St Natificer's, Inswich St Edmundshury and Inswicht to be Rector, St Ruan w St Grade and Landswadnack (Truro). The Rev John T Struck, Curate, Eccleshill to be Vicar, Hurst Green and Minon (Randford). Minimi Inflational, The Rev Alan Boddington, Rector, St Peter, Famborough and Runai Dean of Addershoi: 10 be size an Ronomay Canon of Guildford Cathedral (Gulidiord).
The Rev Cifford D Bradley, Curate, Shepshed: to be Rector, Leire w Ashby Bavva and Dimion Bassen (Leicester). The Rev Subert J Barles, Curate, The Lydardti, Swindon: to be Team Vicar, The Lydardti, Swindon: to be Team Vicar, The Lydardti, Swindon: Bristoll, The Rev Michael Burns, Vicar, Tattenban, Corner and Burgh, Heath, Gulidford; to be Chaplain, Curist the Cornersone, Milton Kyues, w special responsibility for younger people (Oxford).

responsibility for younger, people (Onlord).

The Rev Goy S Cole, Chiese, St Anne w
Mark and St Tromas, Eastville, Brismir
to be Niess in-charge, 28 Peter, Penhill,
Swindon (Brism).

The Rev Stan Coleman, Rector, St
Peter's Frimley: to be Vicar, All Salam,
Guilding (Guilding).

Tack-Rev-Phillip Dallessays, Wicar,
Sawkies w Southury and Drayam; to be
Prinsey be-thanger, ART, Salam, Digon,
The Rev Bernard Davies, Vicar, Brismir,
tree, and Ruma-Dean of Braintree, at Selectree, and Ruma-Dean of Braintree, at Selecation a non-residentiary Cannon of
Chelmsford Cathedral (Chelmsford).

The Rev Fallip Derbyshire, Team Vicar,
Langley Martin Team Ministry: to be
Chaplain of Russing Frison (Ondord).

The Rev Peter M Down, Team Vicar,
Cannock, Olchfield: to be Rector,
Chiefold w Holcombe Bath and Wells,
The Rev Cive Edmonds, Rector, Hisley
and West Bad and Rural Dean of
Sutrey Heasth: to be Rector, St Bartholoments Hashemer (Guildiond).

The Rev Ian St John Fisher, Carasa,
Colvall w Under Colvall and

mew's Hastemen (Gulidiora). The Rev Ian St John Pisher, Carane, Colwall w Upper Colwall and Coddington (Restrictude to be Chaplain in the Univentity of Surrey (Gulidiora). The Rev Timothy W Fox. Vicar, Sullidwas and Leighton w Enton Constantine to be Priest-in-tharge. Moreton Church Eston and Rasdeley (Lichfeld). The Rev John Gordon Clark, retired: to be Chaplain to the Gulidioral Diocesan Mothers Union.

The Rev P Michael Hand, Vicar, High Limieton to be also Rural Dean of Midsomer Noton (Bath and Wells). The Rev P term Hartley, Director of Education and Training (Chelmsford): to be also a non-residentiary Canon of Chelmsford Cathedral.

The Rev Dennis Hedges, Rector, Farncombe: to be size an Hogorary Canon of Gulidiord).

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Maybole (Glasgow): to be Team Vi Upper Holme Valley, responsible Christ Church, New Mill and Thomas's, Thurstonland (Wakefield The Rev Peser Lloyd, Vice Epsons: to be also an Ro of Guildford Camedral (The Rev David V Osl New Worsey: to be Rector, Garforth (Riponi).
The Rev David Rowe, Associate Ministers Mussioner, St Many's, Eastrop, Sasingstoke (Winchester): to be Friest-In-charge, Arbornfeld (Oxford).
The Rev Peter J Swalin, Curate, Beaminster Area Team (Salisbury): to be Priest-In-charge, Bromfield w Waverton and Westmewton (Carlisle).
The Rev Gell Utriey, part-dime period and Carlering (Inaford): to be GrS Industrial Chaplain with Leeds Industrial Chaplain with Leeds Industrial Chaplain Winler, Curatel Manual Chaplain William, Curatel Manual Chaplain (Paperol).
The Rev Tolymond Waller, Curatel Chaptage Team Admistry to be Team Vicar, Gregotole Deam, Ministry (Carlisle). Resignations and retigements

The Very Rev Alson C Warren, Provost of Listenser Conhedria, diocese Leicenser, is on retire at Easuer.

The Very T Hughle Jones, Archdencom of Loughborough, diocese Leicenser, is to retire as from 30 September.

The Rev Canora David H Bishop, Residentiary Canon. Vice-Dean and Custos, Norwich Cathedral (Norwich): to retire as from 29 February.

Revd Charles P Coillis-Smith, Rector, Nyddis, in plumility w Broughton (Lichfleid): to retire as from 31 March. They less Amthony C Hotte, Priess-Inchange, SI Andrew's w St Bartholomews's distaloi (Eristolt to retire as from 30 April.

The Rev Peter 5 McCarthy, Vicar, Suntforth w Bowes and Priess-In-change, Rokshy w Brignall (Bipon): to retire as from 8 June.

The Rev Boy E Treasure, Parish Descon. Tisbury Team Ministry (Salisbury): retired as from 31 December. The Yesy Rev Alan C Warren, Provost of

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Appointments in the Forces Royal Navy

COMMANDER: I Jeffrey - MoD Ports-mouth 10.4.92: M R Legg - Exchange Canada 4.8.92: R S Masters - MoD London 3.3.92: S G Wilson - Birm-Ingham in Cond 14.7.92. Rethrement REAR ADMIRAL R H Burn - 1.8.92.

Royal Marines
LT COLONELS: Lt Col R Turner to MoD
21.6.92; Lt Col M R L Ward to Staff of
CINCAN/HOME 21.6.92.
The Army

BRIGADER; M G D Willis - 10 MOD 17.2.92.
COLONELS; G J Yeoman. - 10 MOD 17.2.92; W G Harrison 10 be CO AC Branch REME.
LEBUTEMANT COLONELS: M J Anderson R Signals - 10 UK Mil Rep Staff Brussels 17.2.92; P A Bennett RAPC - 10 HQ AFNORTH(BAE) 17.2.92; A A King

REME - to 17 Dist Wiss 17.2.92; A J Rice RA - to MoD 17.1.92; R Watt RE - to be Comd Eng HQ Mill Works Force 17.1.92. C P C Stoan GORDONS - to Staff Coll, 17.2.92. Royal Air Force

ROYAL AIF FORCE
AIR CRIES MARSHAL: Sir Michael Smar
is appointed Deputy Commander-inCallet Altied Force Central Europe in
Succession: 10 Air Chief Marshal Sir
Anthony Skingaley on 27.8-92.
AIE MARSHAL: It Harris is appointed
Air Giffeet Commanding No 18 Group
in succession to Air Marshal Sir
Michael Stear on 1.5-92.
AIE COMMODORS: M W Hall - to Mod
21.2-92.
GROUP CAPTAIN S W Sure - 20 BAE
CROWLE CAPTAIN S W Sure - 20 BAE 21.2.92.
GROUP CAPTAIN: S W Hunt to RAF
Sek Roog 13.2.92.
WING COMMANDER: L S H Mayne - to
RAF PMC 17.2.92; F C Raight - to Each
Post Australia 17.2.92; G Mackinlay - to
MOD ACDSCES 17.2.92; R N Woollacou
- to RAF PMC 17.2.92.

And the people from the towns around Jerusalem Socked in. bringing those who were ill or harassed by unclean spirits, and all were cured.

Acts of the Apostles 5:16

RIRTHS

COOKE - On February 11th at The Humana Hospital Wellington, to Christopher and Leonie. a son, Theo Samuel Curnow.

TYLER - On February 7th, at West London Hospital, to Mary under Hall) and Andrew. a son, Matthew David.

RUBY ANNIVERSARIES

MARSHALL - Derek and

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

COX.FISHER - On February 16th 1942, at Grimsby. The Revd, J.Gordon Cox to Stephanie. Now at Thrapston, Northanis. DEATHS

COOKE - On February 11th at The Humana Hooskid Wellington, to Christopher and Leonie. a son, Theo Samuel Cusmow.

ECCLES - On February 8th, to Meeter, a daughter, Lucinda Sarah, a sister for Richard. Gill CHRIST - On February 10th battle against spinal cancer fought with characteristic curage. Private family burtal Memorial Service to be held in Kilkeel Parish Church on Sunday. March 22nd at 3 pm. If wished. 22nd at 3 pm. If wished. 22nd at 3 pm. If wished. Church on Sunday. March 22nd at 3 pm. If wished. 22nd at 3 pm. If wished. Church on Sunday. March 22nd at 3 pm. If HSHOP - On February 14th.

peacefully. Peggy (née Tolhurst), wife of the late Cuthbert Bishop and much loved mother of Peter and Kay and grandmother of Edward, Paul, James, Michael and Rachel. Regulern Mass Wednesday. February 19th. at 10 am at St Tarcissus, London Road, Camberley, Surrey.

DAVIS - On February 13th 1992, suddenly in Bristol John, dearly-loved and loving husband of Jill and adored father of Barnaby. Dominic, Matthew and Soptie. Service of Thanksgiving at 1.30pm on Thursday February 20th at the Church of St Mary Magdalene. Stoke Bishop. Family Rowers only please. Donations if desired to the John Davis Memorial Fund, c/o The Treasurer, St Mary Magdalene Church, Mariett, Mariett, Martich, Mariett, Stoke Bishop. Bristol. BS9.

ELICHOTTON - On February 12th, suddenly in Spain, Revel Stephen Lumeden, beloved husband of Margaret (née Elikot Drake) and dearest father of Tom, Sarah and Katherine, darling son of Lestie and the late Sydney Elicington. The Memorial Service will take place on March 3rd at 1.00 pm, enquiries to Methams, Tel:0629 812114. enquiries to Tel:0629 812114.

DEATHS

CANNING—BYRD On February 12th at Addenbrooks's Hospital.

Canning—Byrab On February 12th 1992, after a long conveniencence. Shells Research of Carrier Frederick Canning—Byrab wonderful friend of Contrets Frederick Canning—Byrab wonderful friend

GRAY - On February 11th.
Sylvia in her 90th year, after
many years of ill health,
bothe with unfailing courage, Oustanding leacher and
friend, Widow of Robin
Gray. Funsral and fhanksgiving service in the Parish
Church of The Holy Trinity,
Botham. Sussex. Thursday
20th February at 2.15pm followed by cremation. No
flowers at her request, but
those with happy memories
may wish to send a domation
to purchase a piece of equipment in her memory for
Ferdwater Special School, to
Edward White & Son, South
Palamit. Chichester (0243
782135) to whom all enquiries abould be made.

DEATHS

MORRISON - On February
13th, Marjorie Catherine
aged 91, very peacefully,
Much loved friend and colleague, creator of the uniqueslide collection at The Architectural Association,
presiding ganjus for decades.
Cremation at Golders Green
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Cremation at Golders Green
Thursday February 20th.
White flowers please to A.
France & Sons. 45 Lambs
Conduit Street. London
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the Architectural Association
Foundation at 36 Bedford
Square, London WC1B 3ES.

ROSS - On February 14th, if Hugh Gordon Alexander in Sumry Bank Hospital, Campes, after a short filness and courageous fight against cancer peacethily and surrounded by friends. I consitions, if desired, to Sumry Bank Hospital, 133, Avenue du Petit Juss, 06400, Cannes, France.

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on 25 November 1991. Perfect
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THORBURN - On February

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father of Andrew and
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Margaret. His body has been
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RDKON FRANCES MARY of 39 RAVENSROOST, 25/29 Seniar, 1881, London, SC19 died on 6th Jamusry 1992, Particulars to Hartwig, Solicitus; of 4 Dingwall Road, Craydon, CR9 3RO tefore 16th April 1992. PUBLIC NOTICES **AMC**

TRUSTEE ACTS

The Agricultural Mortgage Corporation PLC announces that with effect from 13th February 1992 until further notice, the rate of interest for

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GEPHYROPHOBIA

(a) The rare but occasionally found and distressing neurogic consisting of obscarive fear of bridges, an offshost of vertigo combined with hydrophobic, from the Grock gephane a bridge + phobic. "Her time in Venice seems to have brought out a latent gephanobia that eventually unde it impossible for her to go out of the palazzo at all, or even to look out of the window onto the Grand Canal." BYRNIE

(c) A cuirass, consist or cost of usull, a kind of armoured vest for protection in warfare during the sword and spear ages, a variant of the more normal Middle English bryate with metatheris of the r. "In lattle charge and affray grim/No shield or byrnic might hold against him."

(b) Excessive and unduly explorant growth of beard carried to disease, five-poleck shadow carried to extreme, and also the growth of heard in a woman, from the Greek diminutive of pagow a heard. "Pognaticals, a female heard, also great strength or quantity of heard." HOUSEL

(a) To administer or receive the Euchanist, from the Old-Notes hast to make a sacrifice or immodate; remember Hamlet senior intoning the sonorous three-word fine: "Cut off even in the bloosous of my sin/Unhouseled, disappointed, unasseled,"

The last strike was the

worst time in Vincent's union

life. The majority of his Lan-

cashire miners opposed in-

dustrial action. His attempt

to force a national ballot,

which would have either

called off the strike or given it

legitimacy, failed disas-

trously. When the strike

began, however, Vincent typi-

cally put union loyalty before

members went back to the

pits he unhesitatingly sus-

pended them. The strike also

produced a particularly per-

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But he was forgiven. He

worst winter since 1926.

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OBITUARIES

NORMAN READ

Norman Read, American back injuries, which did not geologist, died in Boston on January 23 aged 101. He was born on January 17, 1891.

A SOLO pilot until well over 90, an oil explorer until the age of 99. Norman Read spent the last years of a lifetime of sometimes hair-raising activity defying the stereotype of old-age. He died in Boston only six days after a joyous 101st birthday party which had been held at the Heathwood Medical Retirement Center in Chestnut Hill.

Read was an inveterate skier, flyer and mountaineer throughout his long life. He graduated from Yale with the class of 1913, when he played center for the varsity football team. He then received a master's degree in mining geology from Columbia University. After leaving college he was advised by the president of Kennecott Copper not to prospect in Alaska but to explore Texas for oil - which he continued to do aggressively

until only two years ago.

He was one of the first Americans to join the Royal Flying Corps in the first world war and was involved in the traumatic crash of a Bleriot aircraft resulting in major

Arthur Ernest Gibson, avi-

ation photographer, film-maker and publicist, died on January 29 aged 65. He was born on March 11,

A PASSIONATE lifelong en-

thusiasm for flying, com-bined with an exceptional eye

for a picture, made Arthur Gibson one of the world's

outstanding air-to-air pho-tographers. He travelled

world-wide to photograph all

kinds of aircraft from pre-

1914 types to Concorde, from

crop-sprayers to Mach 2

combat aircraft, from heli-

copters to jumbo jets. Nobody

else captured so vividly the

excitement of flying and, if he had one unfulfilled ambition.

it was to take photographs on

To many, he was best known for his 25-year associ-ation with the Red Arrows,

the RAF aerobatic team, of

which he was made the only

honorary civilian member in

recognition of two superb

films and a host of photo-

graphs. Yet it was on his

abilities as a designer, rather

than as a photographer, that

he built his commercial suc-

cess in the advertising world.

or two to his age — first, to get

into Willesden School of Art

rather than grammar school;

in 1944 and become a pilot.

He never lost his great loyalty

to the service and was a tire-less supporter of the RAF

After demobilisation in 1948 he worked as a free-

lance designer, achieving his

first major breakthrough as an exhibition stand designer in the Festival of Britain in

1951. He became design

Benevolent Fund.

secondly to enter the RAFVR

Twice Gibson added a year

a spaceflight.

seem to deter him from the exploits he enjoyed during the rest of his life.

In 1925 he was a member of the expedition which made the first ascent of Mt Logan, at 19,850 feet the highest mountain in Canada. Twenty-five years later he and a distinguished Swiss mountaineer, André Roch, made Logan's second ascent. He skied on every conceivable slope in the Alps, flew to both the North and South Poles and participated in interna-tional ski races in both Europe and Chile long before it was the thing to do. As well as flying solo until he was well over 90, he was at 90 presentover 90, he was at 90 present-ed with the keys of Davos, Switzerland, by the mayor of the city, along with a lifetime pass to all its ski slopes, in recognition of a lifetime of

accomplishment in the Alps. He was a member of, among others, the Essex County Club, Whites of London and the British, French and Swiss Alpine Clubs. He resigned from the Explorers Club, and the American and British Alpine Clubs as soon as women were invited to join. His permanent address for many years was New York's Brook Club.

ANDOR FOLDES

Andor Foldes, Hungarian-born American pianist and champion of Bartók, died on February 9 aged 78 at his home near Zürich. He was born on December 21, 1913.

THE names of Bartók and Andor Foldes are irrevocably coupled. Foldes met the composer when making his Vienna debut in 1929 and began a friendship which lasted until Bartok's death in 1945. Foldes quickly became a tireless champion of Bartók's piano music, including it in programmes against the composer's advice. As a pianist Foldes had the virtuoso qualities needed to interpret the work of Bartók, who feared for his friend's success in this role.

Hostility was provoked by the inclu-sion in his recitals of such seemingly incomprehensible music, a poignant re-minder of Bartek's then precarious status as a composer, notably in America. Not surprisingly Foldes's complete recording of Bartók's piano music for Deutsche Grammophon was of classic status and had the added advantage of the composer's imprimatur, his blessing and approval.

Like many of his brilliant compatriots, notably Annie Fisher and Geza Anda, Andor Foldes was precociously gifted. He performed Mozart's exceptionally demanding Concerto in B flat, K 450, at the age of eight and later graduated from Dohnanyi's celebrated master-class with distinction in 1932. While at the Budapest Academy he also studied composition with Leo Weiner and con-ducting with Ernst Unger.

devoted principally to Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert, But, as his Bartok suggests, his work became more richly inclusive over the years and his repertoire was extensive. His recording of Samuel Barber's Excursions played with delightful nonchalance will have been many listeners' introduction to that witty piece of American regionalism and, as a winner of the coveted Liszt Prize in 1933, Foldes played and recorded several works by Hungary's most celebrated composer.

Schumann was another speciality and again showed Foldes's recognisable virtues of clarity, taste and decorum. He was also the author of several books including Two on a Continent written with his wife, Lily Rendy, and Keys to the Keyboard, a brief and exceptionally practical guide to the pianist's problems. In the latter. Foldes, a charming and genial man, saw the performer's art as that of an exhilarating pioneer, forever scaling one peak in order to conquer another. His recipe for getting the fingers into a "glittery" mood before a concert must have been used by thousands. He warmed up by using Cramer's Study No 40 in B flat major, with its rapid semi-quaver triplets for both hands. Hardly surprisingly, this little gem of a book was translated into many different languages.

Keys to the Keyboard was aptly

described in an introduction by Sir Malcolm Sargent as showing a "wisdom well expressed and clear in its guidance". Much the same could be said of Andor-Foldes the planist.

SYD VINCENT

Sydney George Vincent. Lancashire miners' leader, has died aged 70. He was born on May 13, 1921.

SYD Vincent succeeded Joe

Gormley as leader of the Lancashire miners and when Gormley resigned the presidency of the National Union of Mineworkers there were those who believed he might succeed him once again. But everything. He backed Scargill and after some of his a newly-introduced union rule excluding the candidacy of anybody over 55 was successful in ruling out Vincent and allowing Arthur Scargill a comfortable victory. If Vincent had become president. sonal disaster when he was discovered enjoying a holiday events might have been somewhat different. But in the long run he would have been Tenerife sunshine while his no more successful than Scargill in arresting the de-cline of the industry and the palpable impotence of a oncewas regarded with affection great union. The fact reeven by most of his union mains, too, that he was no opponents. His dyed black Gormley. They were both moderates, both slow-talking hair, his splendid voice, renowned for his Sinatra songs Lancastrians, but Gormley had considerable political skills which he demonstrated

at the highest level while Vincent was obviously happier in local negotiations at the pits than in Whitehall or Congress House. Vincent was born in Leigh, Lancashire, and began work as soon as he was 14. He became first a checkweighman, assessing the weight of coal produced by miners who were paid according to its weight, and then became a pit secretary for the union. He was elected a full-time NUM agent in 1965 and in 1971 when Gormley was elected president of the NUM, his

chosen candidate, Vincent, was elected to follow him as Lancashire area secretary. Vincent was therefore on the union's national executive during the three great postwar strikes - in 1972 and 1974, when the miners were able to claim victory against the Heath government, and in 1984-85, from which the

NUM emerged split, bitter,

and weak.

outrageously coloured ties, and his natural gregariousness made him noticeably more popular than Gormley. Vincent was also interested particularly in his members' industrial welfare. He represented the NUM on the National Safety and Health Executive.

at countless conferences, his

His wife predeceased him, as did one son, and he is survived by a son and a daughter.

completed over several glass-es of his own excellent home-

erations of rather peppery

dachshunds have held do-

minion over a stout sea-going

Since that time several gen-

brewed beer.



Foldes first toured Europe in 1933 but, impatient with what he saw as his lack of maturity, withdrew, broadening his outlook with an intense study of languages and philosophy before returning to the concert platform in 1939. His New York debut followed in 1940 but although he later became an American citizen he made Europe his base and gave a series of widely respected master classes in Saarbrücken between 1958 and 1965.

Andor Foldes started his career as a classical specialist and his recitals were

ARTHUR GIBSON

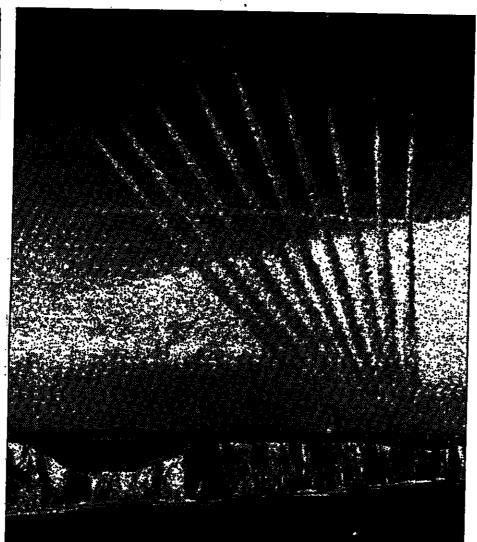


Arthur Gibson and one of his many dramatic photographs of the Red Arrows

consultant to Vickers, the shipping, aircraft and armaments group, and it was in-ability to obtain the kind of dramatic photographs he wanted that led to his developing his own talents as a photographer. Ironically, his first air-to-air photographs were taken not so much to show off the Viscount turboprop airliner as to demonstrate a new lens developed by another of his clients.

When Vickers became a cofounder of the British Aircraft Corporation in 1960 Gibson was given responsibility for the growing weight of recruitment advertising. This led to his becoming managing director of a new advertising agency. Gibson Gilbert

When that became a takeover victim he and some colleagues broke away to form Davis Gibson Advertising, largely with money raised by



mortgaging his home. DGA became responsible for all BAC advertising worldwide. Its work for the corporation and its successor, British Aerospace, for other aerospace clients such as the Soci-

ety of British Aerospace Companies (the Farnborough airshow organisers). and for airlines such as British United Airways, British Eagle International, Laker Airways, Gulf Air and North-

west, one of the leading US international carriers, provided the main opportunity and outlet for Gibson's unique skills as a photographer, in which his early pilot training played a key part.

With two former Red Arrows pilots, he also competed in the 1969 London-Sydney air race and the 1971 London-Victoria (British Columbia) race. There was a dramatic climax to the 1969 event when, at Christmas, the three men were reported missing after diverting their single-engine aircraft to escort the late Sheila Scott, whose twin-engine aircraft was without radio. A violent thunderstorm forced the trio down on to an Indonesian beach but with the help of islanders they improvised a palm-leaf runway on the sand, enabling their aircraft to take off for a nearby airfield and later resume the flight to Australia.

In recent years the Fighter Meet - an airshow featuring many vintage combat air-craft, organised by Gibson and two RAF friends - has become a major event in the

Throughout his working life Gibson had a gift for communicating his enthusiasm and inspiring loyalty among his associates. He had no supporter more loyal, however, than his wife Eira, whom he married when still a struggling freelance. He was very proud of his daughters, Linda and Jacky, but the slip-pers-and-fireside image con-jured up by the phrase family man scarcely fitted such a restless workaholic. Once, when he agreed to take a rare holiday in his freelance days, he asked his wife where she would like to go. Rashly, she said: "Anywhere, as long as there's some sand for the children." She found herself making an eventful car journey through the Sahara.

APPRECIATIONS

Rear-Admiral John Howson

WHEN Rear-Admiral John Howson (obituary, February 7) retired for the second time in 1971, my wife and I bought his Nottinghamshire home - "The Vinery" at Burton Joyce.

I discovered he was not only a distinguished naval officer but a master brewer and the sale of the house was

chest, left over from the Howson days, emphatically black-stencilled "Capt. J. Howson, RN". The next occupant of the box will be named "Jack" as a tribute of our affectionate regard for that fine man.

Barry D. Davies

Earl St Aldwyn

YOUR obituary of the Earl St Aldwyn rightly referred to his gracious manners. He had early training: over 70 years ago, when he was eight and I

The Bismarck proved to be perhaps the most formidable battleship of the second world war. She sank HMS Hood on

May 24, 1941 and only after a desperate pursuit by ships and aircraft in dreadful

weather was she brought to weatner was she brought to book on May 27 and sunk. At the launching ceremony, not many months before the start of the war, she was named by

the grand-daughter of the Iron Chancellor, Otto von

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ten, I challenged him to a race down a long corridor at Fairfield Manor, he won and dashed into the nursery at the end, only for his governess to give him a nicking off for entering a room before a lady.

Sibyl Le Marchand

1939

MARY GOUGH

Mary Gough, naval architect, writer and archaeologist, died in Torbay Hospital on January 18 aged 77. She was born on May

MARY Gough's full and varied life led her from being one of the first British women to qualify as a naval architect, through driving ambulances and directing the routes of convoys in the North Atlantic during the second world war to an adventurous further career as an archaeologist working in Turkey with her husband, the late Professor Michael Gough. She also wrote a delightful travel book The Plain and the Rough Places (1954) in which she set out with characteristic clarity and frankness her experiences exploring southern Turkey in the years immediately following the war.

Born the daughter of Lieutenant C. D. Ormsby, CBE, (Royal Marines then Admiralty). Mary Gough had a lifelong passion for the sea. She acquired her first boat, a 14 foot sailing dinghy which she refitted

herself, at the age of 14 and, after a varied education in Switzerland and Harpenden, enrolled to study naval architecture at Devonport and Plymouth Technical Colleges. In 1933 she was employed at Gray's Yard, West Hartlepool, designing tramp steamers, some of which are said still to be in service in the eastern Mediterranean.

Despite her success in a maledominated career structure, she felt frustrated by the bars on advancement operating against women, and by the outbreak of the war had left ship design to drive ambulances in Notting Hill during the Blitz. She was recruited by the Admiralty to top secret work at Bletchley, where she exploited her naval experience and qualifications, helping to plan the routes of convoys crossing the North Atlantic.

In 1946 she married Major Michael Gough (Royal Artillery). In the spring of 1949, after the completion of his interrupted studies, the Goughs set off for Turkey, the first of many journeys to a country which



was to become the main interest of her life. The Goughs were almost penniless and often travelled in conditions of extreme discomfort. Mary claimed a secondary role, announcing that she was a draughtsman not an archaeologist, but the publication of The Plain and the Rough Places in 1954 established her as a writer. Her book is still essential reading for anyone wanting to understand the character of life in southern Anatolia.

For more than 20 years the Goughs carried out research together in Turkey culminating in the excavations at Alahan. Michael's academic career took them to Edinburgh, Ankara and Toronto. Mary continued writing, contributing articles on Turkey to Blackwood's Magazine and the Illustrated London News. She was tireless in trying to improve Anglo-Turkish relations and regularly broadcast for the BBC in English about Turkey. and for the Overseas Service in Turkish about Britain.

After Michael Gough's untimely death in 1974 she completed the study of the important early Christian site of Alahan in the Taurus mountains. Mary Gough ordered and organised the study of the finds from Alahan and edited the final

report. Alahan, an Early Christian Monastery in Southern Turkey (1985). Her own vital contribution, which disproved her claims about not being an archaeologist, was selfeffacingly not acknowledged in the list of contents. She is owed a great debt for bringing into print the major study of a monument which serves as a vital link in understanding the complicated processes of transition from Roman to medieval architecture. The East Church of Alahan was a "domed Basilica" erected by the Emperor Zeno half a century before its much more famous successor, Santa Sophia in Constantinople.

Her last years were spent in her native Devonshire where she was a strong supporter of Kingswear Church. She never lost her enthusiasm for Turkey. Until recently she guided tours of the country and she was on the council of the British Institute of Archaeology at Ankara when she died.

She is survived by her son, Leo.

BISMARCK LAUNCHED Germany's biggest

warship From Our Special Correspondent

HAMBURG, Feb. 14

In brilliant sunshine - the "Hitler weather" which traditionally favours any im-portant event at which the Führer is present — the first of Germany's 35,000-ton battle-ships was to-day named Bismarck, after the creator of the Second Reich, and, watched by the makers of the Third Reich moved down the Blohm and Voss slips to the sea.

Hamburg had prepared a great welcome for Herr Hitler. As the yacht carrying the Pulner steamed down the Norder Elbe towards the launching slip shortly before I o'clock, the "pocket battleship" Admiral Scheer, the cruiser Numberg, and three destroyers fired salutes, while both banks of the river were bright with bunting and cheering crowds. The Fuhrer reached the green launching platform immediately below the high bows of the new battleship. accompanied by Field-Marshal Goring, Commander-in-Chief of the Air Force, the Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, Dr. Goebbels, the Minister of Propaganda, and most of the other members of

the Government. On the plat-

form itself Herr Hitler was attended by the commanders of the three fighting forces and by Frau von Loewe grand-daughter of the Iron Chancellor, who was to name

In a short speech, Herr Hitler said that the fate of the German Fleet, which was sunk 20 years ago after fighting gloriously for four years, still cut deeply into the heart of every German, National-Socielist Germany, herefore, looked months represented. looked upon the resurrection of that Fleet with particular love and sympathy. Limitations, dictated partly by circumstances and partly voluntarily, entered upon under the Anglo-German Naval Agreement, ac-counted for the fact that the names of only a few of the great men of Germany could be borne by the large ships of the Fleet. Of all men who might

claim to have prepared the way for the Third Reich, Bismarck stood out in mighty loneliness. "As Führer of the German people and Chancellor of the Reich (continued Herr Hitler), I can give this ship no finer name from our history than the name of that man who, as a true knight without fear and

without reproach, was the creator of that German Empire, whose resurrection from the direct misery and whose wonderful enlargement has been granted to us by Providence

Frau von Loewenfeld then named the ship, breaking a bottle of champagne on the bows as the blocks were knocked away. The Bismarck, however, did not move, and there was an anxious pause of more than three minutes before the bows slowly slid away from the launching platform— in Hamburg it is already a current joke that Field-Marshal Goring was forced to push her before she would move. Herr Hitler watched the ship steadily as she moved down the ways. When she had entered the water he smiled and, with a satisfied shake of the head, brought his clenched fist down on the railing which sur-

University news

Durham

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The following are to receive honorary degrees in July: Doctor of Civil Law: Sir Ron Dearing, public servant in higher education and industry.

Doctor of Science: Professor Sir John Cadogan, chemist and

Doctor of Letters: Richard L. Hill. scholar and administrator. Master of Arts: J. Donald Robon, councillor and chairman of Durham County Cricket Club. Honorary degrees will be awarded to the following in Doctor of Civil Law: Dr William

Master of Science: Ferwick Hutchinson, university woodman.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws is to be awarded to: Dr Donald Broadbent, formerly Director of the MRC Applied Psychology Unit, Cambridge University; Mr Roger Gibbs, Chairman of Wellcome Trust; Sir Douglas Hardis. Grampian TV; Professor Rosalyn Higgins, Professor of Inter-national Law, LSE; Sir Robert Klipatrick, President of the General Medical Council; Imre Makovecz, architect.

BIRTHS: Philipp Melanchthon, theologian, Bretton, Germany, 1497: Galileo Galilei, mathematician and astronomer, Pisa, 1564: Jeremy Bentham, Utilitar-ian philosopher, London, 1748; Alfred North Whitehead, philos-

opher, Ramsgate, 1861; Sir Ban-nister Fletcher, architect and architectural historian, London, 1866; Sir Ernest Shackleton, Wales, 1887.

Antarctic explorer, Kilkee, Co Clare, 1874. H.M. Bateman, cartoonist, Moss Vale, New South DEATHS: Jan Swammerdam, entomologist, Amsterdam, 1680: Gotthold Lessing, dramatist, Japanese army, 1942.

Weekend anniversaries Tomorrow BIRTHS: Giambattista Bodoni,

Braunschweig, Germany, 1781; Henry ("Orator") Hunt, political reformer, Alresford, Hants, 1835; Mikhail Glinka, composer, Ber-lin, 1857; Nicholas Wiseman, cardinal, first archbishop of West-minster 1850-65. London, 1865; Herbert Henry Asquith, 1st Earl of Oxford and Asquith, 1st Earl of Oxford and Asquith, prime minister 1908-16. Sutton Courtenay, Berks, 1928; Nat King Cole, singer and pianist, 1965; Hugh Dowding, 1st Baron Dowding, chief of Figher Command 1936-40. Kent. 1970; Richard Fernman, physicist No. Richard Feynman, physicist No-bel laureate 1965, 1988. Singapore surrendered to the

type designer, Saluzzo, Italy, 1740; Heinrich Barth, explorer in North Africa, Hamburg, 1821; Sir Francis Galton, geneticist, Birmingham, 1822; Ernst Haeckel, biologist, Potsdam, 1834; George Macaulay Trevelyan, historian, Welcombe, Warwickshire, 1876.

DEATHS: Richard Meade, physician, London, 1754; Lionel Lukin, pioneer of the lifeboat, Hythe, 1834; Elisha Kane, physician and Arctic explorer, Havana, 1857; Henry Waiter Bares, naturalist and explorer in South America, London, 1892; Cioque America, London 1892: Ciosue

Carducci, poet, Nobel laureate 1906, Bologna, 1907; Leslie Hore Belisha, statesman, the man behind Belisha beacons, Reims, 1957. Chaim Weizmann became the

first president of the state of Israel, 1949. Fidel Castro became premier of Cuba, 1959.

Appointments

Mr David Beattie to be HM Ambassador to the Swiss Confederation. Lord St John of Fawsley to be reappointed a member of the Royal Fine Art Commission on

Not enough royal regiments to go round

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

AT BRITAIN'S imperial peak, about 100 years ago. there were not enough members of the royal family to go round for the 31 cavalry and 113 infantry regiments in the British Army. Today, there are not enough regiments left to share equally among them.

Yesterday the Queen announced a new list of colonels-in-chief for 11 regiments which are being formed out of 22 existing regiments. She has been trying to decide which members of her family should step aside from their regimental obligations ever since the government announced the cutback in infantry battalions and armoured regiments in July last year.

The naming of new royal colonels in-chief is the latest development in the gradual personality change affecting some of Britain's most famous regiments. When the govern-ment's Options for Change defence cuts are implemented, reducing the army from 156,000 to 116,000 men and women, there will be only nine cavalry, two royal tank and 29 infantry regiments. The distribu-tion of royal colonels-inchief was more of a sensi-

tive task for the Queen. The merging regiments had the right to declare were passed on to the

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with which to kill himself,

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The Farm Hall transcripts

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Solution to Puzzle No 18.836

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Queen by Major-General Brian Pennicott. As the defence services secretary, he acts as liaison between defence the defence ministry and Buckingham Palace on all royal matters.

Although most of the new appointments announced yesterday were made necessary because of the defence cuts, some army units were granted royal patronage for the first time in honour of the 40th anniversary of the Queen's accession. The Army Air Corps is to have the Prince of Wales as its first colonel-in-chief. Where members of the

royal family have lost out. the Queen has appointed some of them deputy colonels-in-chief, ten in all. For example, with the amalgamation of The Queen's Own Hussars and The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, the Queen Mother becomes colonel-in-chief of the new regiment, The Queen's Royal Hussars. The Duke of Edinburgh, losing a regiment, becomes deputy colonel-in-

The Queen keeps her colonelcies, although she is involved in one amalamation, that of the 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers and the 17th/21st Lancers.

The Princess Royal is to be colonel-in-chief of the new Royal Logistic Corps.

Hitler's scientists shocked by bomb



Top gun: the Prince of Wales is to be the Army Air Corps' first colonel in chief.



Review time: the Queen has granted patronage to some units to mark her accession

Continued from page! Upminster and chairman of

the British Field Sports Society, said: "I am much more

confident now war the war

will be won and our message

The Royal Society for the

Protection of Animals said:

We have won the argument

in the country at large. We

are sure that in the next par-

liament. a ban on hunting

Colin Cullimore, director of

the Campaign for Hunting,

said: "People have realised

the effect on the social back-

will become law."

will be carried through."



Royal and the Duke of Edinburgh

Anti-hunting bill defeated by 12 votes

have long been one of the mysteries of the war. Aluranium bomb. Just imagthough they were quoted by General Groves, head of the allied Manhattam Project, in his account of the making of the atom bomb, their existence has at times been de-

> The Germans speculated about whether the rooms were fitted with microphones. Heisenberg said: "Micro-phones installed? (Laughing) Oh no, they're not as cute as all that. I don't think they know the real Gestano methods. They're a bit old-fash-

not emerged sooner, he said, was because it had been thought discourteous to publish them. "If it was a discourtesy to bug them, it was only a small one, because we shot by bringing them to England," he said.

ground of rural England of Greg Knight and John Tayremoving country sports."

Sir Feddy Taylor, Conservarive MP for Southend East. who acted as unofficial whip for Tories supporting the bill, said: "The change in opinion since the last time shows that fox-hunting is on the way

Conservatives supporting the bill included Alan Clark, the defence procurement minister, Ann Widdecombe, a junior social security minister, Graham Bright, John Major's parliamentary private secretary, and two whips

lor. No Labour MPs voted against the bill.

Labour MPs were claiming last night that the Conservatives had been unwise to vote down a bill which would have had no chance of becoming law. A shadow cabinet member said: "All the surveys show the public does not like fox-hunting. This could be worth 1,000 votes to us in

every constituency. The debate was marked by emotive language on both sides. Mr McNamara said: "My bill has a very simple

aly which exists in law which permits people to wilfully inflict on a wild mammal an act of cruelty which would be criminal if it was inflicted upon a domestic animal."

Nicholas Ridley, the former cabinet minister, said "If I have a complaint about hunting, it is that they don't kill enough foxes". Robin Corbett promised that a Labour government would swiftly introduce a bill to end hunting with hounds.

How MPs voted, page 7

Inflation fall gives ministers a boost

Continued from page 1 the January sales. Mr Lamont accepted that the output figures were disappointing, but said: "Only low inflation can bring the sustainable growth in jobs and output we all want to see.

"It is low inflation that will most surely lay the groundwork for future rises in output and for more jobs. Britain is now on course for permain sight of victory over the key underlying problem that has underlying problem that has dogged the British economy for decades ... it is that vic tory that will lead to economic

recovery."
Alan Beith, the Liberal
Democrat Treasury spokesman, said: "While Britain is suffering from a recession far worse than anywhere else in the Western world ... our inflation performance re-mains no better than average."

Labour continued to try to put the blame for the recession on John Major. Roy Hattersley, Labour's deputy leader, said in Birmingham that he had not proposed a single policy "to help put right the tragedy which he has caused", adding: "As the economy continues on its downward spiral, John Major stands like a frightened rabbit, dazzled in the headlights of his certain de-

The Conservatives have a 2.5-point lead over Labour, according to a Gallup poll in The Daily Telegraph today. A similar poll last week gave them a five-point lead. The survey, involving interviews with 2,012 people, also shows a 3.5-point rise in support for the Liberal Democrats over the previous week. The poll was conducted in the week up to Tuesday - before the so-called "Black Thursday" and the battery of unfavourable economic statistics. The poll put the Conservatives on 40 per cent. Labour 37.5 per cent and the Liberal Democrats 17.5 per cent.

Recession deepens, page 17

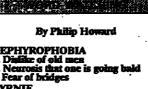
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Professor R.V. Jones, who was involved in wartime intelligence operations, said yes terday that the transcripts had been published after pressure from scientists, and a letter to the Lord Chancellor One reason why they had

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Answers on page 14 For the dial 083

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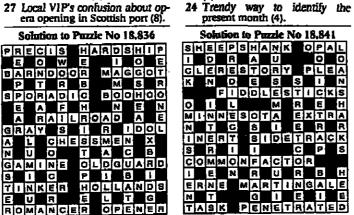
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24 Trendy way to identify the



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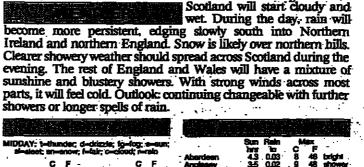
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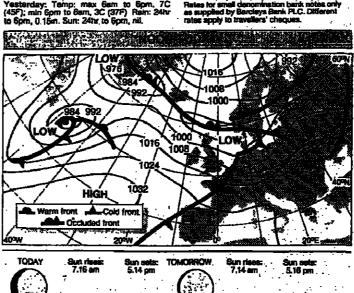
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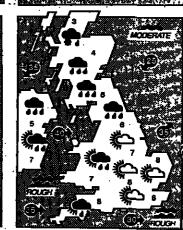


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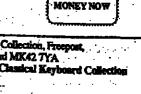
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Profile

Hero worship among male board members at Amstrad takes the form of designer stubble beards that make them look like Alan Sugar. chairman of the computer technology company. Sugar is now worth between £60 million and £70 million, but before the 1987 crash he was worth almost £600 mil-



Buyer beware

Anyone who buys or is left a property could find themselves insuring against the bankruptcy of the former owner. Courts have powers creditors

Evasive action

Many of last year's 22,632 bankrupts could have avoided the situation had they opted for an individual voluntary arrangement be-tween debtors and cred-



Tax battle

Barbara Michaels had a weekly pension in her own right but she and her husband Maurice were taxed as if the pension was being paid to the husband for his wife. The subsequent battle for refund of £682.44 overpaid tax has taken the best part of a year and resulted in an extra accountant's bill of £268. The Revenue has refused to make an ex gratia payment. The Revenue has this week promised im-proved service in its customers' charter......Page 23

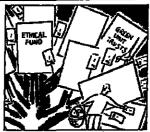


Going for broke

Private client stockbrokers are fighting for survival. Many brokers have started charging fees rather than commission while others are offering execution only ser-

Under fire

The Investors Compensation Scheme could face renewed investigation of its handling of an investor's claim for compensation if the trade secretary decides to reopen



Investors in ethical funds need to be vigilant because fund criteria are often vague enough to allow them to invest in companies whose activities some would find distasteful.

Production data worse than expected

Factory output falls to new recession low

By Anatole Kaletsky, economics editor

BRITAIN'S economy slid deeper into recession in December, as manufacturing resumed the erratic decline that was briefly interrupted by the false dawns of the spring and early autumn. The worse than expected figures on manufacturing output, published yesterday by the Central Statistical Office, rounded off a week of grim economic news suggesting that the present recession would be the longest in post-war history and that the end was not yet in sight.

However, government ministers took consolation from a fall in the rate of inflation to 4.1 per cent in January from 4.5 per cent the previous month. Some analysts speculated that the past week's combination of good inflation figures and poor output and employment data might prompt a half-point cut in interest rates before the Budget. Others noted, however, that sterling remained pinned to the floor of the European exchange-rate mechanism by the strength of the Spanish peseta. They argued the Chancellor would want to wait until the Budget, when he might have a chance of launching the government's re-election campaign

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ures showed that the index of manufacturing output fell 0.3 new recession low of 110.8. December's manufacturing output was the lowest since February 1988.

However, officials noted that the fall in menufacturing output between November and December was essentially a reversal of the 0.2 per cent rise the previous month. Taking the fourth quarter as a whole, output had shown signs of stability, but this came after the manufacturing sector took another "step vnwards in October".

Comparing the average output level in the last three months of the year with three months earlier, the technique used by the CSO to iron out economically insignificant fluctuations, the latest figures showed a decline of 1.2 per cent, equivalent to an annual rate of almost 5 per cent.

Government statisticians said their best estimate of the underlying trend showed manufacturing output falling at an annual rate of about 3 per cent. This decline was the same as the estimate in November, but contrasted with the CSO's assessments in early autumn, when statisticians believed the manufacturing decline had ended.

For 1991 as a whole, manufacturing output showed a decline of 5.3 per cent compared with a year carlier.

Officials noted that the fall in manufacturing during the present recession had been smaller than in the recessions of 1979-81 and 1974-75, al-though they conceded the dedine might not yet be over. Manufacturing in the last three months was about 8 per cent below the cyclical peak in

the second quarter of 1990. The peak to trough fail in the last recession was 15 per cent. In the engineering sector, which has been worse hit in the past year than chemicals and other manufacturing industries, the peak to trough decline of about 12 per cent in the present recession was "starting to approach" the fall suffered last time.

Yesterday's output figures suggested there would be further bad news for the economy next Thursday when the gress domestic product for the fourth quarter and all of The index of industrial production, which includes energy and water production, as well as manufacturing, fell 0.1 per cent in the last three months of 1991 compared with the three months before. Excluding North Sea oil and gas production, which rose 2.1 per cent during the quarter, this index, which dominates the changes in the quarterly GDP figures, would show a substantial fall.

Inflation falls, page 1



Handcuffed at Heathrow: businessman Terry Ramsden arriving in London yesterday. He is due to appear at the City of London Magistrates Court today on 22 charges, including fraudulent trading, and making false statements to DTI inspectors

British Nuclear Fuels to shed 950 workers

By Ross Tieman

BRITISH Nuclear Fuels, a company owned by the energy department, yesterday set the seal on one of Britain's worst weeks for job losses with the announcement that 950

jobs are to go at its head office at Risley, near Manchester. The job losses, which include more than 200 contract

staff, affect nearly half the highly skilled engineers who are responsible for design and construction of British Nuclear's thermal oxide reprocessing plant at Sellafield

in Cumbria. At the same time, Glynwed, the engineering group, said it was to shed 200 jobs in Great Bridge, Birmingham. NEI, the power engineering arm of

aeroengine group Rolls-Royce, is also to shed 300 workers in West Bromwich. And more than 700 jobs are at risk across the country

after receivers were called in

to ELS, the furniture retailing arm of the Greater Nottingham Co-Operative Society. The CPSA, the civil service union, claimed that a leaked document showed the De-

rangements for Training and Enterprise Councils (Tecs). Half of the jobs would go at the supervisory headquarters in Sheffield, the union said, and the rest would affect local advisory officers.

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The department said it could not trace the document

decision on staff numbers had yet been made.

Yesterday's announcements bring this week's total of job losses at leading British companies to more than 6,500. These figures have yet to feed through into the unemployment figures, which in January increased by 122,137 to 2,673,864.

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American industry still in decline

By Colin Narbroughl'economics correspondent

AMERICAN industry, which last year appeared to be leading the economy out of recession, suffered a 0.9 per cent drop in output in January, according to the latest government figures. The January fall was the third consecutive drop and the biggest onemonth fall for a year.

The production figures are likely to dampen hopes that the glint of recovery seen in retail sales data on Thursday heralds a broader-based recovery. The fall in industrial output was spread across all sectors, but the car industry reported the biggest decline,

tumbling 8 per cent. Industrial output last rose in September. It was unchanged in October, but fell 0.3 per cent in November and a further 0.4 per cent in December.

Capacity usage also fell 0.8 per cent in January to 78 per cent, which was the lowest level since August 1983. However, the weakness of the economy is keeping inflation down. Labour department figures yesterday showed American wholesale prices falling 0.3 per cent last month, the biggest monthly drop for ten months, after a 0.1 per cent decline in

The January fall was attributed mainly to lower petrol and heating oil prices. Excluding food and energy. prices rose 0.3 per cent. The currency markets re-

December.

acted to yesterday's data by initially marking the dollar sharply lower, to about DM 1.6290, before allowing it to bounce back later. The fall in wholesale prices is likely to erode any lingering concern that the authorities might have about a resurgence of inflation.

Surprise as WPP surges

SHARES in WPP Group, the advertising company headed by Martin Sorrell, jumped 37p to 95p on the stock market yesterday as a wave of buying out of New York triggered defensive markingup by British brokers.

The shares later subsided to end 25p ahead at 83p, bringing the rise in the past two days to 35p. Neither the company nor London analysts were able to explain the rise, which came after the equivalent of 2 per cent of the company's share capital was traded in New York on Thursday evening. WPP denied speculation that it was about to sell the Ogily & Mather advertising agency.

London analysts speculated that New York investors were buying on the back of a fragile recovery in the American advertising market.

Mirror pensions to be wound up

BY LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

THE plundered Mirror be 3 per cent a year until Group's pension schemes are being wound up. The process is likely to take some years; in the interim pensions will continue to be paid in full to existing and new pensioners.

New schemes are being set up to safeguard employees' contributions. The group has contributed to the old pension schemes and will start making regular payments to the new ones to ensure immediate needs can be met. The board said the moves were the best way of providing security for pensioners, deferred pen-

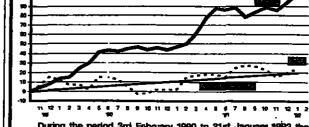
sioners and employees. The exact cost to the group of this commitment is not yet known but will make it less anractive to a purchaser.

The group is, however, downgrading pension increases under the schemes. These were recently raised to 5 per Tempus, page 20 | cent a year and will in future

Smith Braithwaite, the solicitor of the pension funds' trustees, said: "Obviously the ideal would be for the pension scheme to be put back immediately into a fully funded position. But this is just a pipe dream. The harsh reality is the pension scheme has been plundered and no one is able to fill the hole overnight."

Under the original Mirror pension funds trust deeds, schemes are bound to pay out pensioners first and then to meet the guaranteed minimum pension entitlements of employees. There are insufficient funds to meet the payments of existing pensions. If enough money were not recovered to pay these guaranteed pensions, Mr Stannard believes the government





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Clarke to succeed Lord White at Hanson



By GILLIAN BOWDITCH AND PHILIP ROBINSON

HANSON yesterday named its successor to Lord White, executive chairman of the group's American operation. He is David Clarke, president of Hanson

Industries since 1978. The announcement was made to leading institutional analysts and shareholders at a presentation presided over by Lord White and Lord Hanson, the chairman Many Hanson divisional heads were also present. The last time the group had an institutional presentation on this scale was in 1988 and some shareholders saw it as an attempt to limit damage after a year of public

scrutiny, not all of it pleasant.

not come into effect until Lord White Victoria Cup, and was a member of the retires in 1997, came as no surprise. Aged 51, he has been Lord White's right hand man for almost 20 years.

He came on board after Lord White struck his first American deal, buying Seacoast a fish company. Seacoast was Mr Clarke's family business and he ran it successfully under Hanson's

ownership. Sources close to Hanson in New York said of Mr Clarke and Lord White: "They are very alike. David is financially very astute and they think in the same way. Gordon [Lord White] usually finds the companies and David does the

Mr Clarke is a member of the New York Yacht Club and last year won the Mr Clarke's appointment, which does One Ton World Cup and the Queen and revitalise a destroyed nation.

American Admiral's Cup team. Naming a successor well ahead of Lord White's retirement is seen as an

attempt by Hanson to divert media attention away from Lord White. Hanson watchers say that, at 68, Lord White looks frail and that publicity over allegations of assault, later dropped, by Victoria Tucker, his 29-year-old girlfriend, have taken their toll on his

Lord White might be down but he is not out. He recently gave a relaxed and chatty interview to the Hull Daily Mail. his home-town newspaper. In it, he spoke frankly of his views on a number of subjects, including Adolf Hitler's ability to build a decent road system

Flawed superdeal marked passing of an era

FEW eras can have dated as quickly as that of the late-Eighties. The summer of 1987 was less than five years ago, but it feels more like five decades. Business was booming, big was best, and the City of London was desperate for a slice of the action. Taking part counted for nothing, it was winning that was vital.

No one wanted to win as much as the principal participants in the Blue Arrow affair. Never had the stakes been higher. At £837 million. the rights issue that Blue Arrow launched to pay for the acquisition of Manpower was - and still is - the biggest the

In the deal-hungry world that the City's merchant banking community had be-come, it was a rights issue to die for. Get it right and the fees and commissions would run to tens of millions of pounds, and could open the door to even larger and more lucrative deals. Get it wrong,

But failure was not to be contemplated. The Brits were back on the world's financial stage, determined to show they could take on anyone and win - whatever the cost. In the summer of 1987, a

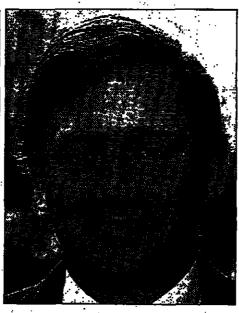
leading player on that stage was Tony Berry, whose ascent from modest beginnings to chairman of the Blue Arrow employment agency group, encapsulated everything that Thatcherite Britain stood for. Blue Arrow was one of the decade's great success stories. In just three years, its stock market valuation had soared from £3 million to £450 million. But, having reached the top in Britain, Mr Berry did

not want to stop. Casting his eyes across the Atlantiche found Manpower. the thriving, Milwaukee employment agency group run by Mitchell Fromstein. Mr Berry came, saw and, a brief but spectacular battle later, conquered, agreeing to pay £800 million for Manpower. Blue Arrow had become the biggest employment agency

All that was left to sort out

The biggest rights issue the City of London had ever seen was to turn into the mother of all hangovers for most of the players involved, Matthew Bond reports









The guilty men: David Reed, County Natwest: Jonathan Cohen, NatWest Investment Bank; Martin Gibbs and Nicholas Wells, Phillips and Drews

was the minor matter of Britain's biggest ever rights issue. County NatWest was the merchant bank with the Blue Arrow business. Despite its well known high street parent, County was a new kid on the City block and determined to deal its way into the big time. The Blue Arrow rights issue was the big chance and it was not going to go wrong

But things did not go according to plan. The house of cards that would collapse two months later on Black Monday was already starting to

A stock market that had seemed locked in top gear began to falter. Two thirds of a smaller, £214 million rights issue that enabled WPP to buy J Walter Thompson was left with its sub-underwriters. As the closing date for Blue Arrow acceptances neared, interest rates unexpectedly rose, causing further uncertainty in the stock market. On the evening of September 28, Mr Berry's advisers from County NatWest and Phillips & Drew, Blue Arrow's stockbroker, met at County's Drapers Gardens headquarters to discover how the rights issue had fared.

The extraordinary decisions arrived at that night took just a few hours. But it has taken 12 jurors a year to hear the evidence that led them to the verdict that four of the five defendants were guilty of conspiring to rig the stock market.

At that meeting were four of the five defendants. From County NatWest there was Nicholas Wells, the young merchant banker leading the Blue Arrow rights issue and David Reed, Mr Wells' immediate boss. From UBS Phillips & Drew were two corporate financiers - Martin Gibbs, who headed the finance team, and Christopher Stainforth, also of P&D and the one defendant to be acquitted yesterday. Earlier in the trial, the

charges against two other individuals, Alan Keat, a partner at Travers Smith Braithwaite, the solicitor, and Stephen Clark, group finance director at County NatWest, were dropped. The cases against County NatWest, NatWest Investment Bank,

and UBS Phillips & Drew Securities were also dropped. The fifth remaining defendant, Jonathan Cohen, then deputy chief executive of NatWest Investment Bank and chief executive of County NatWest, was not at the meeting but according to the prosecution was informed by telephone of the decisions taken that evening and gave his assent Mr Cohen had denied this but was found guilty by

By the middle of the evening it was clear that the rights issue had flopped, with only 38 per cent of it taken up by existing shareholders. Blue Arrow was unaffected. because the issue was underwritten, effectively guarantee-

ing the money. Mr Berry could still buy Manpower, although Blue Arrow could be left with a distinctly soggy share price for months, even years, if the unwanted shares passed to the underwriters. In the City this phenome-

non is sometimes referred to as "rights issue hangover". Given the size of the issue, Blue Arrow was heading for the mother of all headaches. But for County Natwest and UBS Phillips & Drew, whose underwriting and subunderwriting commitments would cost them close to £170

million, the flop was far more

serious. It spelled financial disaster. Something would have to be done. Memorably, Mr Berry was dispatched to have supper, while the bankers worked on a way out of the mess. Mr Berry was therefore not a party to the conspiracy that

The alternative to the surplus shares being left with the underwriters and sub-By the time P&D's equity

undwriters was to place the stock with institutions. But said the P&D men whose sales force would handle such a placing, the institutions would have to be convinced that the rights issue had been comparatively successful and that a prolonged "hangover" was therefore unlikely. To be convincing the take-up would have to be closer to 50 per

cent, not 38 per cent. With time running out, the bankers took the now infamous decision that if a near 50 per cent take-up was what was needed, then a near 50 per cent take-up was what the market would get.

So in the wee small hours of September 28, 1987 — cru-cially after the official deadline for rights issue acceptances had closed County NatWest and UBS Phillips & Drew each became the owners of 4 per cent of the issue with Dillon Read, Blue Arrow's American adviser, taking 2 per cent.

salesmen assembled for the 7.30 am meeting the next day, the rights issue take-up had risen to 48.9 per cent. But even then the subsequent placing did not go smoothly, with County & P&D being forced into taking another million shares each, according to the findings of the Department of Trade and In-

dustry investigation. But what was 5 million shares between friends. The important thing was that success had been plucked from disaster. Within an hour of the placing's "completion", a press release was issued, giving details of the level of takeup and the subsequent full placing of the remaining shares. It was this press release that the prosecution argued was actively misleading. A few days later P&D described the placing as "successful" in a full page newspaper advertisment. Once again, the prosecution said, misleading. Later that day.

Mr Berry was in ebullient, if

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prophetic, form. "Today has been a brilliant success, and as a result we have what amounts to a completely new shareholders' register of people who believe in what we are hoping to achieve in the

Chief among those new shareholders following the late night meeting, were County NatWest, which owned 13.4 per cent of Blue Arrow. This however was quickly reduced, when a 3.9 per cent stake was placed with UBS, P&D's Swiss parent, its transfer eased by an indemnity against any loss on the Swiss bank holding the stake. P&D already owned almost 5

per cent in its own right. At a time when the the level at which a share stake had to be declared was 5 per cent, it was arranged for County to hold 4.99 per cent on its own account and to place the remaining 4.4 per cent with County Natwest Securities, its market making arm.

Within three weeks the stock market crash had ensured that County and P&D were sitting on huge paper losses on the Blue Arrow shares. Two months later County reported a £69 million loss on its share transactions since the crash, including a £49 million paper

loss on its Blue Arrow stake. But the damage to careers has been just as extensive. Mr Cohen moved to Charterhouse Bank, but later resigned apparently bowing to pressure from the Bank of England. Mr Wells moved to BZW, but like David Reed, who had remained at County, resigned in 1989 after publication of the damning DTI report. Mr Gibbs retired from P&D in 1988 having reached the age of 60 while Mr Stainforth, acquitted yesterday, resigned from P&D after the DTI report.

The four men found guilty yesterday played to win at all costs. Next week they will find out just what those costs are when they return to the court for sentencing.

Germany lifts **VAT to 15%** in tax package

BY WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU **EUROPEAN BUSINESS CORRESPONDENT**

THE upper house of the German parliament has voted in favour of a wide-ranging tax package, under which valueadded tax will rise by 1 percentage point to 15 per cent next year.

The agreement brings to an end months of fiscal uncertainty and bitter wrangling between the political parties, but has it has also raised fears among economists that the present inflationary pressures and the resulting high rates of interest might be carried well

There is added concern that the measures will result in an extra financial burden and an increase in the budget Other elements of the tax

package agreed by the Ger-man Bundesrat yesterday include a reshuffle in the system of corporate taxation for the benefit mainly of small to medium companies, and a rise in child allowances.

Theo Waigel, the finance minister, pushed his proposal through the Bundesrat, after successfully negotiating a last-minute compromise with the state premier of Brandenburg, one of the pivotal SPD states whose backing for the tax package finally carried the Bundesrat vote.

The package won 35 votes. the minimum number for an absolute majority, and comes a day after acceptance by the

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Bundestag, the lower house, on Thursday. The other SPDrun states voted against the

The compromise will cost the German taxpayer DM 19.4 billion until 1994 on top of Herr Waigel's origi-nal package, under which DM33.6 billion will be added to the German unity fund between 1992 and 1994. The rise in VAT also comes

as a response to pressure from the European Commission: EC finance minsters agreed last year to a minimum European-wide VAT of 15 per cent, as a result of which Germany and Luxembourg were required to raise their

A rise in VAT has always been strongly opposed by the opposition Social Democrats, because of the risks for inflation and the non-progressive nature of indirect taxes.

Alongside the tax package there will be a rise in child benefits and family allowances, as well as tax-free allowance for small and medium companies. A spokeswoman for the finance ministry said that the corporate tax reform was fiscally neutral and the lost revenue from higher allowances would be recouped through the elimination of certain tax deductions. Overall, small-tomedium companies would benefit at the expense of large companies.

Economists have expressed sceptisim about the package. however. Helmut Kaiser, head of research at Deutsche Bank, said the rise in VAT "will mean a sudden jump in the retail price index of 0.6 points in January 1993, since one expects that the rise in VAT will translate completely

into prices". This would mean that inflation will not fall under 3.5 per cent in 1993, even on an optimistic scenario, under which the mark remains strong against the dollar and wages rise only moderately this year. Dr Kaiser also cast doubt over the ministry's pledge that the corporate tax reform will turn out to be fiscally neutral.



In line: Tony Edwards has stepped up to become group managing director

Lucas selects heir apparent

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

LUCAS Industries, one of Britain's largest car parts makers, has selected an aerospace expert who joined the company little more than two years ago as heir apparent to

Tony Edwards, aged 47. has been appointed group managing director. He ioined Lucas in September 1989 from Bombardier, the Canadian train and aircraft maker, as managing director of the aerospace business.

Appointment as group managing director is a traditional device to secure a smooth transition of power within Lucas. Sir Anthony Gill, the present chairman and chief executive, was group managing director be-fore succeeding Sir Godfrey Messervy as chairman and chief executive in the early Eighties. This time, Lucas is thought to be intending to separate the roles. Sources at the company indicate it is likely to seek an external candidate for the role of nonexecutive chairman when Sir Anthony retires.

Sir Anthony, aged 61, was scheduled to retire at the end of this year. He has agreed to remain as chairman until the end of 1994. However, he is tive earlier - possibly at the end of this year. The appointment reflects

satisfaction at Lucas at the way Sir Anthony built up the aerospace business, and with Mr Edwards's success in unifying an international business largely created by acquisition. Mr Edwards, a production

engineer by training, started with Rolls-Royce, the aeroengine maker, in Derby. He spent 14 years at General Electric, the American aeroengine company, becoming president of Canadair Aerospace Group, Bombardier's aircraft manufacturing arm.

Nikkei plunges after arrests

POLITICAL scandals outweighed expressions of political support for the Tokyo stock market, which greeted plans to revitalise it with another sharp dive.
The ruling Liberal Demo-

cratic Party approved proposals for higher dividend ratios, lower taxes on stock trading and other measures designed to lure investors back to the market. However, the nearly simultaneous arrest of four businessmen linked to a scandal overshadowed the LDP initiative, pushing the key Nikkei share average down 507.16 points to 20,883.86, its second-lowest close since October 1990.

The Big Four Japanese brokerage houses on Thursday unveiled their proposals to make the market more antractive by raising divi-dends and relaxing some

trading regulations.

Last week, the Osaka Securities Exchange revised rules on futures and options trade to reduce volatility.
While Tsutomu Hata, the

finance minister, said one of his ministry's main objectives was to rebuild investor confidence, he rejected calls for a discount rate cut. The central bank last lowered the key rate 0.5 of a percentage point to 4.5 per cent on December 30. The government, meanwhile, is increasingly para-lysed by scandals. The latest involves the former chief of a tracking firm suspected of funnelling money to gang-

sters and politicians.

Disney loses to CBS in studio battle

By Martin Waller

BURT Reynolds has beaten Mickey Mouse for the ownership of a Californian film studio put up for sale by TVS Entertainment, which lost the south of England broadcasting franchise in the October bidding round.

More specifically, CBS, the American broadcaster, has stepped in and exercised its option to take the half stake in the studio it does not already own, after TVS arranged a sale to The Walt Disney Company. That \$27

million deal was conditional on the blessing of CBS as joint owner, which had the right to supplant the original purchaser if it wished.

The half share in the studio came to TVS with the 1988 purchase of MTM, the American production company.
CBS, one of MTM's main customers, is joint producer at the studio with MTM of Evening Shade, starring Burt Reynolds, which has just started on British television. CBS is likely to complete the purchase within two

months. TVS made no com-

ment on the switch of ownership, but the company was believed to be pleased, not least because it can expect to receive the money earlier from CBS as Disney is known in show business circles for driving a hard bar- production facility and is gain and the eventual price

due diligence procedure. The decision by CBS to exercise its option and buy the rest of the studio appears to have taken TVS and Disney by surprise. MTM was anxious to ensure continued access to the studio for further uted to the franchise loss.

was subject to a complicated

series in development as well as continued filming of Evening Shade and The New WKRP in Cincinnati series. The CBS purchase appears to put this beyond doubt. The studio is MTM's main

also used by other film makers. The proceeds will be used to cut TVS debts, most of which are in America tied to the MTM purchase. These will fall on receipt to about \$50 million. The MTM buy is reckoned to have brought TVS to its knees and contrib-

Lancastrian to merge with Northern Rock

THE Northern Rock Building Society has been called upon by the Building Societies Commission to rescue the 12branch Lancastrian Building Society abead of the £300 million Lancastrian reporting a loss for 1991. The merger was announced yesterday after the £4.5 billion Northern Rock had put in place a substantial standby facility for the Lancastrian. In 1990 the society had to report a loss and take back £1.5 million from its general reserves after writing off the goodwill purchased with its estate agencies. The 1991 Lancastrian accounts are "likely to show a small

deficit," said Adam Applegarth, assistant general manager at Northern Rock. The Lancastrian had commercial loans of £25 million and some of these have gone bad.

Headlam acquisition

HEADLAM Group, a footwear and fabrics company, is buying three domestic floor covering businesses from Hick-son International for £5.36 million. It is funding the acquisitions through a £6.1 million share placing and open offer. The businesses form HPD (South), operating profits of which fell from £1.33 million to £917,000 last year on sales down from £25.03 million to £23.22 million. Headlam has promised to pay a final dividend of 1.65p a share, which would make an unchanged total payout of 2.4p.

Souza Cruz ahead

SOUZA Cruz, BAT Industries' Brazilian subsidiary. reported sharply higher profits for 1991 even though two operating groups returned losses. Net profit was 54,79 billion cruzeiros (£21.52 million) up from 12.43 billion cruzeiros in 1990, helped by a recovery in financial income and some relaxation of the state-imposed price freeze later in the year. Paper and pulp lost 14.29 billion cruzeiros (50.54 billion cruzeiros profit). Fruit juice activities lost 857 million cruzeiros (107 million cruzeiro loss).

VW sales defy slump

CAR deliveries at Volkswagen rose by 100,000 to 3.13 million last year despite the international downturn in the car market, according to preliminary figures released by VW yesterday. The rise in sales came in response to strong domestic demand, with domestic deliveries rising from 945,000 to 1.25 million. VW international sales fell by 210,000 to 1.88 million, but the company said European market share rose from 16 per cent to 16.4 per cent. VW is Europe's largest carmaker, ahead of Fiat of Italy.

Steetley bid extended

THE takeover panel has further extended the timetable for the hostile bid for Steetley by Redland, a fellow building materials producer, pending a ruling on whether the offer should go to the monopolies commission. The panel will now reconsider the bid timetable if there is no ruling on a reference from the trade department by March 12, or if the offer is referred, unless Redland is prepared to make undertakings on disposals. Analysts expect the department to decide on Wednesday whether to refer the bid.

Hoesch fall halted

HOESCH, the German steel and engineering group, expects operating profits of well above DM200 million this year, after DM440 million in 1990. Hoesch said it had halted a decline in earnings in the fourth quarter of 1991. allowing it to report satisfactory results for the full year. The steel division is expected to break even, despite massive price declines in nearly all product groups and production standstills due to construction work. Hoesch made no forecast for 1992 earnings or sales.

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BUSINESS PROFILE: Alan Sugar Street fighter with a nose for survival

Spurs helped the Amstrad chairman bring his thinking back down to

earth, as Carol Leonard finds out

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been happening in the Amstrad boardroom. Several directors have sprouted beards. Not the full, ethnic type, more the designer-stubble type and it makes them look just like Alan Sugar, the company's chairman. In some instances the resemblance is so strong, they could almost be clones.

"I knew you were going to say that," Ann Sugar, Alan's wife of 24 years, says. "There are a lot of beards there, and I'm sure most of them didn't have them when they ioined." Mrs Sugar has an air of resignation as she speaks. She is clearly used to people hero-worshipping her husband, be they

"Yes, he is surrounded by clones." Stanley Kalms, the chairman of Dixons, who first encountered Sugar ten years ago, says. "They have been very loyal. But they are also a bit like a court in that they will ask him to repeat some

funny story, and then laugh louder himself claims to find his fame tiresome He com-plains that complete strangers ten, then I had see them coming from the corner of case of whether your eye. He or she has been staring at you all night. No, not plucking up courage, these

rude, they butt in, they have no common courtesy at all. They say something like You know my uncle in Hackney'. I say 'Oh. really'. Yes, he says you know him very well." Then they rattle off a name. I say: 'No. I don't know him, I've never heard of him." Oh, but you do know him.' 'I don't know him, I'm sorry.' But you went to school with him. you must know him.' Then I get a bit annoyed. Yes, sometimes I car-be rude. I would probably say 'Well, I don't know him so clear off', or words to that effect." Sugar laughs. He loves to re-enact conversations. His wife says he enjoys being in the spotlight, so much so that he ought and the other is what people say you to be on the stage. But he swears too are worth and that fluctuates with readily and is too aggressive ever to the weather. It's basically shares,

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have told anybody simply to clear off. "I'm not proud of it but I've got no patience. Ask anybody here about my patience and they will laugh."

Alan Sugar, aged 44, is an extraordinary man. Extraordinary and very ordinary at the same time. Brought up in an east London council house, the youngest of four children, at the age of 12 he was getting up at 6am to boil beetroots for a local greengrocer. By the time he was 16, he was earning more after school and at weekends than his father earned all week.

Mrs Sugar, mother of his three children, all of whom he now employs, met her prospective husband when he was 18. She was two years younger. "He was completely different to anybody else I had ever met," she says. "He wanted to work all the time. He wasn't like an ordinary 18-year-old boy."

Since then, Sugar's career has been well documented. He began registered Michael

Sugar Trading as Amstrad when he 'If it's a do for was 21, floated it ket in 1980 and made a fortune by binned. If it's for selling basic, low cost, computer technology to the better go. It's a ers have become as much a generic term for pc's as my absence will Hoovers are for vacuum deaners. By the time Sugar was 40, he was the

fificenth richest person in Britain, worth almost £600 million. The 1987 stock market crash reduced his value to £197 million - with a record fall of £400 million in one day - and the company's fortunes have never fully recovered. Its shares now trade at about 30p.

against an asset value of 53p. Sugar is philosophical about the change in his so-called worth. He can afford to be. Apart from his Amstrad shares, he is, he says worth between £60 million and £70 million. "There are two different things which you've got to get clear in your mind. One is what you've actually got in hard cash and assets



Plain talking: Alan Sugar admits to an explosive temper, that he hates wimps and is irreverent

and I have always totally ignored it. It's flattering but you haven't got it and so it's irrelevant."

Sugar has a knack of simplifying everything. He sees the world in terms of black and white. He never allows any room for misunderstanding. Some people call this tunnel vision, say that he is in-capable of looking left or right, that he lacks a third dimension.

Kalms says: "He is single-minded and focuses on a problem to the point where he cannot take a lateral view on anything. He has a laser mind, narrow but deep. He is bright, but he has a very unintellectual approach to everything and that's not meant to be a compliment. He gives very little thought to the greys of life." Others would say that it is this ability to focus on the

which gives Sugar his distinctive, street-wise, business flair.

"He is extremely bright, but he is also very pragmatic," Sam Chisholm, chief executive of BSkyB, says. "He is naturally irrepressible, amazingly hands-on and if you offer him a deal, no matter what it is, he always wants to debate it. He loves to negotiate, he tests people all the time, he is very shrewd and he has great foresight. He saw satellite television as a business long before most people. He is also unpretentious and anti-bureaucracy. If you ring the switchboard and ask for him, he will usually pick up the

phone nimself." Sugar attributes this to the fact that he has always been "very down

matter in hand, without being side to earth." He has, he says, seen tracked by intellectual debate, people who have let money go to people who have let money go to their heads, "and they become different people, they try to force their way into upper circles and I'm just not like that. You never see my picture in *Tatler* magazine because I never go to those sorts of places." Even official invitations from the government are carefully scrutinised. "If it's a do for 2,000 people then it can be binned, but if

> In one breath Sugar talks about his childhood, about being a noisy rather than a shy child - "Not a ruffian, but always plenty of talk - and about being too poor to buy a bicycle, having to build his own from a secondhand frame. In the

it's for ten, then I had better go.

It's a case of whether my absence

will be noticed."

next, he says of his millions: "It's a bit corny, but once you go past the first couple of million it doesn't make any difference. When we went public and someone plonked a cheque in my hand for £2 million, that felt good. I'd done it, I was set for life, but anything beyond that, another two or 20 or 40 or 70 doesn't matter."

Corny or not, Sugar is always brutally honest. He will give a straight answer to a straight question, in his inimitable Cockney way. Ask him about religion and he will say that he is an atheist but Jewish. "That's different, that's a culture, a way of life." Ask him about his mother and he will say that she is "very cold, very cynical and can be very miserable." He is, he says, exactly the same. "We are not a lovey, dovey family." He is aware of his faults but he will not try to correct them. He shrugs his shoulders in lame agreement when they are detailed. That he hates journalists, detests being photographed, that he is irreverent, rude, and excessively aggressive. That he has an explosive temper and swears, that he hates wimps and needs strong people. At the same time, those who work most directly with him clearly adore him, get a buzz from

working alongside him, say that he is "The 1980s gave himself, so he shies scrupulously fair, does not hold grudges, and des-cribe his manage-ment style as that of a benevolent tyanyone the opportunity to succeed. The rant. He often installs himself at a establishment vacant desk, on any of the floors in was smashed. his Brentwood, Es-The old school sex. headquarters. for a morning or tie went out visible and the window hands on. The

only thing he dis-agrees with is his supposed hatred of the City. He admits that he dislikes talking to stock market analysts - "They are very boring" — but says he has no real complaints about the City as such. "Let's be very honest. I've made a lot of money out of the stock market, so how can I ever complain? The 1980s gave anyone the opportunity to succeed. The establishment was smashed, definitely. The old school tie went out the window.

Anybody can do anything now."

He was, he says, a Tharcher fan, he did not vote at all until she came to power, he will vote Conservative in the election, but says if it weren't for Neil Kinnock — "That bloke, he's out for lunch, isn't he, they've got to get rid of him" - he might be tempted to vote Labour because of his working-class roots. He is equally direct about his own mistakes. He is in no sense a maverick or a schemer. "If I could rurn the clock back there are lots of things 1 wouldn't do. Like opening offices throughout the world and diving into product sectors which failed. I'm frustrated by what I know to be

He has, he says, learnt a lot from his involvement with Tottenham Hotspur. "You get woken up a little bit, you see people spending a whole week resolving a matter worth £40,000. What's peanuts for Arnstrad is big for them. It made me realise how big and blase we had become here. It has brought my thinking back down to earth."

Despite the accusation that he was unintellectual, thinking is something Sugar often does. On aeroplanes he refuses to talk to fellow passengers — "The poor sod next to me is really in for a bad time" - because he needs peace to think. At home his wife says she can tell instantly from his expression whether to talk or to leave him well alone. "You can see his mind working, he is always thinking of new and different things."

Just as Sugar claims that he is cold, when in reality he is not, he simply finds it diffi-

would no doubt strative of an unsophisticated brain, unable to grasp the concept of religion. Sugar would argue the reverse, say that he has discussed it at

chief rabbi and would conclude that he is, by nature, a scientist.

Scientist one minute, street fighter the next. Sugar is a born surviver. Reports of Amstrad's collapse are, he says, premature. "E300 million in assets is hardly collapsed," he says. My wife keeps asking what I'm killing myself for, she says no one will thank me. Some people would throw in the towel, say I've got more than enough money to keep me and my family for the rest of my life. The papers would say I was just another shooting star and then I failed. I can't allow that to happen. I suppose it's ego. I might only own 33 per cent, but this company is mine, those are my initials up there, and it's going to

WEEK ENDING Matthew Bond

So what did you do in the recession, Daddy?

THE front door crashes shut, ' and mum did?" His mother as junior celebrates the end ' responds. "Well to be honest as junior celebrates the end of another day at school. The year may be 2017, but getting out of school is as much fun as ever. In the front room, his father puts down his paper, and shouts a friendly greeting. "And before you rush upstairs come in and tell your mother and I what you learned in school

today."
For once the son and heir needs no second invitation. "It was really interesting to-day. We did late twentieth century history in class, and now I've got to write an essay on it. But the teacher said it was fine to ask you for help, so please. Mum and Dad. what did you do in the recession?"

His parents swap glances and nod in silent accord. "Sit down son. We knew you'd want to know one day and you're probably old enough to be told now. But how much of it you'll be able to put in your essay I'm not sure, as it's still pretty hush, hush. You see your mother and I were on rather special services."

The son's eyes widen, as his father continues. "You see neither of us really fancied conventional recessionary duties. I thought about volunteering to queue in job centres all day, but then there were almost three million doing that already. Hardly what you call select. Then your mother, of course, got a long way down the line with the people who spe-cialised in crying outside houses as the bailiffs went in. But she missed out after 75,000 people volunteered for the work in just one year."

His son interrupts. "So was everyone poor, Dad?" "Oh no son, not everyone. Lawyers, for instance, made pots of money. And accountants fairly coined it; that is until they were forced to pay for all the mistakes they had made. And I remember that being the boss of Burton was always worth a bob or two. Never could understand

quite why."
"But what was it that you

we met by chance. You see we both volunteered for jury

"What's that?" asks the puzzled boy.
"You'll probably get to it in a few history lessons' time. It was abolished in the middle Nineties, I think, something to do with it not being cost-

brought back the rack." His father continues: "But we weren't any old jurors. Oh no, we specialised in the great fraud trials -- Blue Arrow, Guinness, I and II, Bar-

effective. Just before they



it." Again the younger generation interjects. "But what is fraud and why were there so many trials?"

"Well now you're asking son. Your mother and I spent years trying to work that one out. But it all dates back to the late-Eighties and all the money there was splashing around. You must have done them in history by now."

"Actually, we haven't, Dad. Our teacher said historians still can't decide whether the late-Eighties really happened or whether they were just a mass figment of the imagination. But don't stop, tell me more about your job."

Well it was long and com-

plicated work. All these de-fendants each faced hundreds of charges, every one of them involving more money than either of us could ever dream of. At first we used to get terrible headaches, what with concentrating so hard. But after a little while we got the hang of just nodding ev-ery now and again to show we were still listening."

"Sometimes we'd get sent out of the court, while the lawyers argued with each other, often for weeks on end. That's when I first got talking to your mother actually, although I'd been trying to catch her eye for the best part Then we'd come back and

there'd be one or two fewer in the dock and the judge would tell us that there'd been a bit of a mistake, that so and so had actually been quite a good egg and they'd had to let him go. We'd just nod again and get on with the listening. That was our job."

The boy's mother continues "Yes listening when." ues. "Yes listening was what we did best. Oh, and some of those judges had a lovely turn of phrase. I still remember one saying. Members of the jury. You have heard how the defendant once came into contact with an aluminium saucepan. He therefore runs a small risk in advanced old age of develop-ing senile dementia. He may be in reasonable health now

but I think we ought to bear low ... you name it, we sat on such a tragic possibility in mind, don't you? We were all so moved it was all we could do to convict him at all. The chap became a disc-jockey not long afterwards." "Now calm down darling,

We did get some perks. Remember when we were having real trouble reaching a verdict, the judge used to send us away to a lovely country-house hotel. In fact, that's when your mother and I got . . . well, sort of engaged..."
That's quite enough

smutty talk," says his wife, with a glare. The boy's going

to be a lawyer, not a politi-cian. Upstairs, young man.

Bond is refused bankruptcy appeal

FROM REUTER IN SYDNEY

ALAN Bond, the Australian entrepreneur, has failed to win leave to appeal against a Aus\$194 million (£82 million) bankruptcy notice, but his lawyer said he was not yet

throwing in the towel.
Judge Gerard Brennan, in
the High Court, refused Mr Bond special leave to appeal against an earlier ruling that he pay the money to a group of banks led by the Hong-kong Bank of Australia. a unit of HSBC Holdings. Mr Bond was ordered to pay

"The result of that is that there is no further avenue of appeal in relation to the judgment," Stephen Paterniti, Mr Bond's lawyer, said But he said Mr Bond would apply to the Federal Court on Tuesday to have the bankruptcy notice, served for the second time in December, set

aside as invalid.
"It [yesterday's ruling] takes away one corner of our argument." Mr Paterniti

The Aus\$194 million was a personal guarantee given by Mr Bond on a Aus\$340 million loan to Dallhold Investments, his private com-pany, to fund the development of the Greenvale nickel mine in Queensland. Dallhold was put into liquidation last July with debts of more than Aus\$1 billion. Last Monday, the Austra-

lian Securities Commission, Australia's corporate watchdog, said a two-year investigation into Bond Corporation had identified major breaches of the law that might lead to criminal prosecutions of several former office holders.

In September 1990, Mr Bond was forced to resign as chairman of his Bond Corporation empire, worth around Aus\$10 billion at its peak. His former flagship, which struggled for two years to avoid bankrupicy, is now undergoing a debt-for-equity swap scheme with its crediiors. The corporation's current debt is around Aus\$2.4



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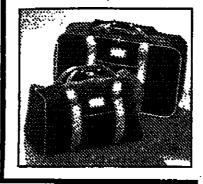
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St Valentine's crush on WPP

though such a sale has long been awaited. The Ameriecutive of WPP Group, is accustomed to a heavier post than the rest of us on St Valentine's Day, falling as it does on his birthday. Even he, however, did not expect the show of support from American investors that has pushed the WPP share price sharply higher. On the face of it, WPP

shares chose an odd time to take a hike, because the world's biggest advertising agency is in tough negotiations with its bankers about this year's budget and is only weeks off reporting what are likely to be fairly dire full-year figures.

WPP is playing down the significance of yesterday's presentation to the bankng syndicate and does not believe it will have to ask for more cash. But the group's debts were £440 million last summer, and the continuing recession means Mr Sorrell is unlikely to be celebrating any

The group is not factoring any sale of its Scali McCabe Sloves agency into this year's budgets, al-

can buying that started on Thursday evening was on a limited scale. The price shot ahead in London in equally thin buying, ending ahead 25p at 83p after going as high as 95p. The Americans may have been punting on WPP as a recovery stock, but the London market is less convinced the shares have much further to go, given that they bounced from a low of 31p just before Christmas.

WPP is a long way from being out of the woods, and the talks with the bankers could still prove difficult. Neil Blackley, at James Capel, expects the group to report pre-tax profits halved from £90 million to £46 million and does not believe dividend payments will be resumed until 1996. The market's scepticism is therefore reflected by a forward multiple of less than

The sudden upsurge is likely to tempt some holders to take profits in due course. WPP remains for

Headlam Group

GROWIH through acquisition, as cash-rich Reuters Holdings said this week, is a risky business. If one of Britain's largest and most successful companies is so averse to signing cheques, heaven knows how those at the other end of the corporate ladder must feel.

Headlam Group, a min-now by any standards, has boldly proceeded with an acquisition that virtually doubles its size, but only after finding itself in an enviable position. In the first instance, it was able to place its executives in charge of the companies it wanted to buy. Headlam then decided the asking price was too high and coolly walked away.

Only a few weeks later, Graham Waldron, Head-lam's chairman, had Hick-

to sell two compan price that suited him. Earlier this month, he returned for another three and Hickson agreed. So confident is he and his

fellow directors that the deal is a good one that they are subscribing for onefifth of a £6.5 million share offer to fund the deal. New shares are being offered at 58p each and the market responded by marking existing shares up 5p to 65p. Other investors should follow Mr Waldron's example. Headlam's broker ex-

pects profits to rise from an estimated £400,000 before tax last year to £1.2 million in the current year and £2.4 million in 1993. If this year's p/e of 15 falls below 9 in the next 12 months. the shares look a bargain.

STOCK MARKET

BP leads oil shares down amid investor pessimism

THE City takes a gloomy view of prospects for BP over the next couple of years. That is reflected in the share price, which hit new lows.

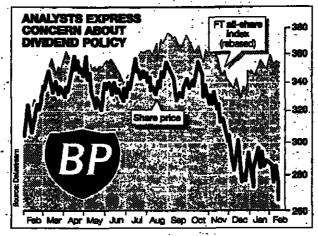
The shares suffered a 22p mark-down in early dealings yesterday. It followed a gloomy set of full-year figures on Thursday showing net income tumbling from £1.68 billion to £415 million. Contrary to speculation. BP maintained its dividend but that did little to underpin the price. This ended 6p lower at 268p, after 60 million shares changed hands.

Analysts and fund managers express concern about the lack of dividend cover. County NatWest WoodMac says earnings, cash flows and the balance sheet are under pressure. Unless oil prices show signs of recovery soon, the share price will continue to

Market-makers said yesterday's deterioration could have been worse had it not been for the appearance of "cheap" buyers on both sides of the Atlantic who were prepared to take a longer view of the company's prospects.

The problem of weak oil prices, with Opec still trying to reach an agreement on production levels in Geneva, is not exclusive to BP. Shell was also a weak market, falling 11p to 467p, ahead of figures next week. There were also losses for Enterprise, 7p to 412p, Lasmo, 10p to 218p, Hardy Oil, 5p to 130p, and Pittencrief, 2p to 215p.

The bigger than expected fall in inflation brought much-needed cheer to the equity market and enabled many early price falls to be clawed back. The FT-SE 100 index was down more than 22 points in early trading on the back of overnight falls in both New York and Tokyo. It ended the session 8.7 lower at 2.513.9, but dealers say investor confidence remains low because of continued political and economic uncertainty. Turnover was boosted to 593 million shares by the



heavy business in BP and other special situations. Government securities suffered falls stretching to £12 at the longer end, reflecting similar losses recorded on the

profits. The presentation was made to try to improve the group's image in the City. Lord Hanson bowed to pressure by announcing that David Clarke will, eventually, succeed Lord White as execuhave cut its estimate.

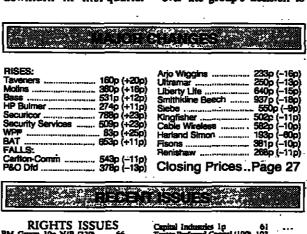
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Heavy turnover was again recorded in NSM, a struggling opencast coalmining and waste disposal group. The price bardened 4p to 34p. Twelve million shares were traded, making almost 17 million in two days. It looks as if marketmakers are short of stock.

Hanson finished 2p firmer at 1992p after the company had given its first briefing to analysts in years. On Thursday, Hanson revealed a downturn in first-quarter

tive chairman of the group's American operation.

Thursday's figures were eiven a luke-warm reception by the City amid confusion over the group's decision to



New York — Blue chips partly recouped early losses by mid-morning but remained some-what lower. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 10.51 at 3,236.14. Investors continued to shun equities because of weak bond prices. James Andrews, manager of

Montgomery Scott, said some trading accounts were thinning out positions ahead of a three-day weekend. Heavy sell programmes at the opening sent the Dow tumbling about 24 points before the fall was stemmed. Declining stocks outnumbered adequity trading at Janney vances by two to one.

begin paying dividends quar-terly for tax reasons. Arjo Wiggins Teape continued to lose ground, failing lop to 233p as profit downgradings continued. Williams de Broe, a stockbroker, started the ball rolling on Monday and now the company's own broker, UBS Phillips & Drew, is reckoned to Reuters advanced 20p to £11.35 after giving a positive presentation to American brokers and fund managers in New York. The decline in the shares of Harland Simon continued. The price plunged another 60p to 193p, making a two-day fall of 292p, after an earlier profit warning by the company.

HP Bulmer celebrated the European Commission's decision not to increase cider duty with a rise of 11p to 274p. WPP reacted positively to overnight support on Wall Street with a rise of 250 to 83p. The debt-laden advertis-ing group briefed its bankers vesterday. London dealers say the shares are seen as a potential recovery situation. Sup-port for WPP rubbed off on Saatchi & Saatchi, 2p firmer Roschaugh, the troubled property developer, firmed up to 8 p after it was earned that Godfrey Bradman, deputy chairman, was resigning from the board. His departure follows a breakdown in merger talks with **Stanhope**, the USM-quoted developer, which partners Rosehaugh in the City of London's Broadgate development. Stanhope advanced 4p Clarke Foods, the fastgrowing ice-cream maker, began to run out of steam after a strong run this week. The price managed a rise of only 3p to 133p. The rise on the week is 41p. Last month, the group raised £6.5 million by way of a rights issue at 60p to help finance the acquisition of the Lyons Maid ice-MICHAEL CLARK

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s the life industry yet again A produces bumper sales figures, its regulator is gearing up its investigations and enforcement operation to deal with a growing number of complaints about the activities of some life assurance salesmen.

The sale of single-premium pension policies increased by 35 per cent last year. Much of it was transfers from company schemes.

It is not, therefore, surprising to learn from the Life Assurance and Unit Regulatory Organisation's enforcement bulletin that investors are increasingly questioning advice received to make such

Too often, such moves are financially disastrous for the policy-holder, but lucrative for the salesman

One case that Lautro still has to deal with involves company repre-sentatives from the same branch systematically transferring a number of such investors out of a particularly attractive group scheme. Tied agents too often fail to make a sufficiently detailed,

Pension salesmen need curbing

realistic or objective analysis of the relative merits of transferring their prospective investors to a personal

pension or leaving them in their occupational scheme, said Lautro.

The organisation is concerned that because of the limited understanding of pensions by the general public, the level of com-plaints received on this subject could understate the scale of the potential problem.

Life companies must check that every factfind accompanying such transfers from occupational pen-sion schemes makes it clear that the sale is right for the client and not the salesman. Lautro says that some of the sales staff have been inadequately

trained, but agrees that others ignore what they know to be the correct advice. In the meantime, Lautro is to remind life companies, in a future bulletin, that they should check

COMMENT

LINDSAY COOK WEEKEND MONEY EDITOR

on March 10.

A letter being sent to cus-tomers this week tells existing

borrowers that their rate will

change on March 1 following

the bank's half-point cut last

month. But the letter goes on:

"We will send your new payment details and standing

order amendment form in

March after the Budget has

been announced. In this way

we can ensure that your new

payment takes into account

any changes the Chancellor

may make in the Budget which may affect your month-

ly payments."
The bank took everyone by

cut mortgage rates without

have already started, with the

suspension of stamp duty and

rates. There are definite signs

rate cut.

that only people who are likely to benefit are advised to transfer out of occupational pension schemes.

It is no good salesmen using any scare story about specific pension schemes in the news in an attempt to persuade individuals to leave perfectly sound schemes for a personal pension that will almost certainly provide a lower

Lautro will also remind the life companies that they could find it both expensive and embarrassing they do not carry out proper checks on their salesmen's activities. Companies may have to

pay up to restore the pension rights of investors who have lost out and could also find themselves publicly criticised as a disciplinary

To date, Lautro has not used the publicity weapon in its efforts to protect investors but suggests that it might need to soon.

To make sure that Lautro knows just what is being suggested by salesmen, in sitting rooms and works canteens throughout the country, it is important that those people who refuse to move their pension money tell the regulator about the

inappropriate sales spiel as well as those who are living to rue their pension transfer.

Due dues

he Inland Revenue can and does make ex gratia payments to people who have suffered because of unpardonable negligence or excruciating delays in dealing with refunds. But despite its new charter, announced with a fanfare this week, it cannot say how much was paid out in this way in the year to last April or the year before that.

It appears that there is no central accounting for mistakes. The figures are not usually collared, said the Revenue, which hopes that it might be able to get the information during the course of

the next week.

customers would have more confidence if they had a right to com-pensation when mistakes are made. What seems obvious from the Weekend Money mailbag is that tax officials still have a long way to go to meet the targets laid down this week.

Too many letters still go into a Revenue black hole, enabling the collectors to pursue bills which individuals feel they have explained away weeks or months earlier. Everyone makes mistakes. Few are as frightening or as costly as errors made by tax officials. Those who have accountants consult them. Others may have to take time off work to visit tax enquiry centres to find out how a demand was arrived at. Recompense ought to be more readily available.

Last summer, Weekend Money reported on the case of one reader who won a reduction in his tax bill after a catalogue of mistakes.

If compensation were promised to cover costs incurred when ordinary Revenue mistakes were made, customers might find they Maybe the 30 million Revenue received fewer incorrect demands.

Indemnity insurers press for bigger part in running schemes

Haggling on detail holds up mortgage rescue plans

By LINDSAY COOK MONEY EDITOR

DIFFERENCES between insurance companies and mort-gage lenders still have to beresolved before many of the mortgage rescue schemes an-nounced before Christmas can go ahead. While the insurers support the schemes in principle, they say they do not want to pay for them. Some insurance companies

want to vet each borrower who is to be rescued to make sure that they would have ended up as a repossession case, and are even suggesting they should have the final say on who should get the help.

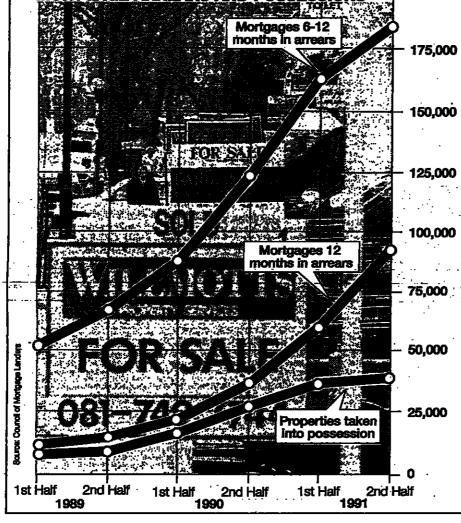
The discussions arise out of the mortgage indemnity poli-cies that the lenders took out. The insurance companies are usually called upon to pay out when borrowers default on their loans and the property is mortgage, arrears and sale costs. The policy pays the difference.

The policies, however, did not foresee the mortgage rescue schemes and legally need not pay out at all. Because of this, discussions with the insurance companies are delaying the announcement of detailed schemes.

The insurers are worried that they will have to pay out more in claims and more quickly than they would otherwise have done. Repossessions take on average 15 months and then there is a delay while the property is sold before the claim is made on the policy. Under the rescue schemes lenders will make claims earlier and they may be made for people who would not have had their homes repossessed even without the scheme.

Abbey National, which has committed £60 million to a rescue scheme, said: "We are still in a series of talks as to how the insurers can help with our mortgage rescue schemes." The Abbey uses four insurance companies, and plans through its own housing association to buy properties which will then be rented to the original

Frank Bartlett, head of lending services at the Woolwich building society, said it could not announce details of its scheme until its "candid



and open" discussions with the insurance companies were completed. He added that insurance companies would pay out less with the rescue schemes because there would be no distress sale of the property and the arrears would not mount up over a long period as they did with

He said it was in the interests of both insurance companies and lenders for the schemes to work.

At the Halifax, David Gilchrist, general manager, said the insurance companies were very supportive of its schemes. These would help a relatively small number of people. He added that the claims on indemnity policies for these homes would be lower than for repossessions because there was a market valuation instead of a forced

Rod Young, director of personal insurances at Legal & General, lead indemnity insurer for the Woolwich, said: "At the time that agreement in principle was reached with the government a lot of details still had to be sorted out. There is still a lot of detail to be agreed."

He continued that lenders had negotiated with housing associations first of all about the interest rates to be charged, and now were talking to the insurance companies.

In cases where a lender plans to take a share in the rescued property the companies are negotiating for a share of the potential profits when the property is sold.

Currently, a typical claim is costing an insurance company £13,000 to £15,000. That suggests that last year's 75,000 repossessions will eventually cost the insurance industry about £1 billion.

Next month insurance companies will begin to re-port their results for last year and these will feature heavy write-offs for mortgage indemnity business. The total cost of the slump in the hous-ing market could be £3 billion to £4 billion.

As a result of these claims the insurance premiums have risen by 50 per cent, and some large indemnity insurers are considering withdrawing from the mortgage

LENDERS confidently expect next month's Budget to Good news on include the announcement of another cut in interest rates, and are also hoping for more generous tax relief on mort-gage interest, particularly for rates expected first-time buyers. from Budget The Abbey National, the second largest lender, is con-

fident enough that there will be good news in the Budget to write to its 1.2 million borget the market moving and the Budget would seem the rowers telling them that no new mortgage payments will be set until after the Budget ideal opportunity for

changes."
The Halifax building society, the largest lender, set its payments for its annual review customers on February 1. Of the society's 1.7 million borrowers, 1.3 million are on annual review. The first payments at the new rate will start on April 1 and will be calculated using the new rate of 10.95 per cent set in January. Any cut in rates in the Budget will not be felt until next year's review unless rates move by more than 3 per cent during the course of

David Gilchrist, the society's general manager, said:
"The government will take
whatever opportunity it can
to bring the rates down. surprise last month when it the normal trigger of a base The Abbey said: "Initia-Interest rates at the moment tives to get the market moving are too high for the state of the economy. We would anticipate a half point cut in the

There could also be scope that the government wants to for the government to im-

prove tax relief on mortgage payments, particularly for first-time buyers, Mr Gilchrist said. The cost to the government of financing this relief has fallen since last year, when higher rate tax relief on mortgage payments

was abolished. Lower interest rates and lower house prices have also played their part in bringing down the costs. However, mortgage interest relief has become steadily less significant for borrowers. Mr Gilchrist said: "In the

Seventies, Miras [mortgage interest relief at source] reduced monthly payments by about 40 per cent, but now the proportion is only 15 per cent. The cost of raising Miras to £60.000 for first-time buyers would be about a third of the cost of raising it to £40,000 for everyone." At the moment borrowers can claim tax relief on pay-ments for the first £30,000 of

The Halifax calculates that every £10,000 increase in

mortgage tax relief is equal to knocking half a percentage point off the mortgage rate. Any changes to mortgage interest tax relief in the Bud-cet would have an effect or get would have an effect on mortgage payments, but the Halifax would alter payments on mortgages reviewed annually only if the changes were

A cut in interest rates in this Budget would continue a trend which started in October 1990, when the rate fell from a crippling 15.4 per cent to 14.5 per cent. Another half-point cut would mean a standard variable rate of 10.49 per cent. A borrower with a £40,000 endowment mortgage from the Abbey National would see his or her monthly payment fall by £13.54 from £297.65 to £284.10.

When interest rates were at their highest, a £40,000 endowment loan would have cost £417.08 a month — £120 more than the new mortgage

Rates fell to their lowest point for ten years in June 1988 when the standard rate was 9.8 per cent. They did not stay in single figures for long. By September of the same year, rates had started climbing, and continued to do so until the beginning of 1990. There is no guarantee that the same will not happen

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Lenders to reward the faithful

LOYALTY is beginning to pay off for homebuyers. This week, Abbey National has written to all its 1.2 million borrowers offering them a mortgage at a fixed rate until May 1999 that will not be offered to the general public through branches (Lindsay Cook writes).

Those people who opt for the rate fixed at 10.9 per cent, an annual per-centage rate of 11.7 per cent, will not have to pay the Abbey's £275 administration fee for the remortgage. About 85 per cent of the society's

existing borrowers have loans under £60,000 and from next month will be paying 10.99 per cent on their loans. The decision whether to opt for the certainty of the fixed rate or to stay with a variable rate that could come down further about the time of the Budget will be a difficult one for most borrowers.

The bank will be making other offers in the future to its existing borrowers. The loyalty mortgages are being offered after a survey was conducted for the former building society. Existing homebuyers were asked if they were going to change lender the next time they moved. Among those who said that they would, cheaper mortgage rates and better terms were the main reason, although 11 per cent said they were dis-satisfied with the first lender.

Many feel that new borrowers receive the best deals. The fixed-rate offer and subsequent ones are intended to dispel that feeling. It is cheaper for banks and building societies to keep existing customers than to attract new ones.

The Adams residential property index over the past two years shows that many of the top ten lenders get less than half their existing borrowers back when they move house. In the last quarter of 1991, the Leeds got 36.1 per cent of borrowers back, the Alliance & Leicester 40.6 per cent, the Woolwich 48.1 per cent, Nationwide 49.1 per cent, Abbey 53.3 per cent, and the Halifax 56.6 per cent.

Bristol & West Building Society was one of the first to make a special offer to existing borrowers when it launched its Cascade mortgage in November 1990. This gave borrowers the chance to guarantee that their loan rate would fall by 3 per cent over the next year from the standard rate prevailing at the time of 14.5 per cent. The 7,000 who took the offer had their rates cut to 13.5 per cent in February, 12.5 per cent in May and to 12 per cent in August. The final fall was to 11.5 per cent in November. Now that

three months has expired the borrowers

neatly move on to the standard variable rate of 10.99 per cent when that comes down next month.

The Halifax last year introduced a customer loyalty discount of 1 per cent for a year for existing borrowers who take out another loan. This discount is available for those with a good payment record and cannot be added to the Apex discount for larger loans. National & Provincial has a repeat

buyer discount of 1 per cent for a year on loans up to £60,000 and 1.5 per cent for larger loans. In addition, N&P borrowers receive a £150 bonus when they The Alliance & Leicester smarter mov-

er mortgage gives 1.5 per cent off endowment and pension mortgages and 1 per cent off repayment loans for a year, so long as they are not more than 85 per cent of the valuation. Larger loans have a 2 per cent discount on endowment and pension loans, so long as they are not for more than 80 per cent of the spine of the property. value of the property.

Nationwide gives 0.5 per cent discount for one year. The Woolwich, Leeds and Cheltenham & Gloucester do not give special discounts to existing bor-rowers returning, although the Wool-

wich said this was under consideration.

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Exeter takes the plunge with unit fund in warrants

THE first unit trust to take advantage of new regulations and invest in warrants will be launched next week by Exe-

Changes to the rules on unit trust investment last summer allowed fund managers to use futures, options and warrants as part of their investment strategy. So far most managers have considered these too risky for private investors. Only Legal & General has so far launched a fund using futures.

Exeter Trust expects to hold at least 60 per cent of its Warrant Fund in warrants, but this could be as much as 80 per cent. Buying a war-rant entitles the holder to purchase shares at a fixed price on a specific date or during a specific period, although there is no obligation to buy them. Warrants are traded like shares. Their attraction is that they cost less than the shares themselves. so if the market is going up fund managers can use warrants to acquire more shares cheaply and sell them at a profit.

However, warrants become valueless if they are not exercised by the end of their subscription period. Holders do not have voting rights and do not earn dividends. If stock markets round the world crashed, any warrants held in a fund could lose all

The price movements of ordinary shares are magnified in the price of warrants, which means they fall further than ordinary shares. This could mean that investors lose all that part of the fund invested in warrants if they cash in at the wrong time. Christopher Whittingslow,

Exeter Fund Managers' investment manager, said: "It isn't impossible that people could lose all the proportion

rants. But in practice, it is unlikely. Not all world markets do the same thing at the same time, and we will be investing in the warrants of investment trust shares round the world, which will give us a spread of risk." Investors had to rely on the fund managers to know when to reduce the proportion of the fund held in warrants, he said.

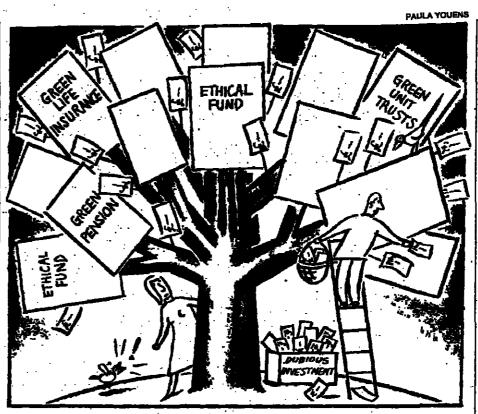
Exeter Fund Managers gives a warning in its literature that "it must be appreciated that all holdings of investment trust warrants could be subject to sudden large falls in their individual prices and therefore in the price of this unit trust. Consequently investors are warned that a shortfall on cancellation or the loss on realisation of the investment at any time after the investor has bought the contract could be very high and could equal the amount invested in warrants."

Unlike geared futures and option funds (GFOFs), warrant funds will not borrow money to buy warrants so the fund should not have a negative value. The fund will also invest between 20 and 40 per cent of its funds in lower risk zero dividend preference shares of investment trust

These rise by a fixed compound rate every year and have a final predetermined repayment value on the winding-up date of the investment trust. They do not pay an income but will generate one for investors holding income-generating shares

The unit trust will be avail able next week. The minimum investment is £1,000 and there will be a 2 per cent discount for those investing before March 20.

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Ethical investment demands vigilance

BY SARA MCCONNELL

ANOTHER ethical fund was launched this week, complete with literature promising to adhere to strict investment criteria. Like other companies in the sector, Skandia Life says its Ethical Selection Fund will steer clear of companies profiting from sales of alcohol, arms or pornogra-phy, those which operate in South Africa or other countries with oppressive regimes, or which damage the environment. It will invest in companies which make a positive

contribution to environmen-

tal protection, pollution con-

trol or which operate equal opportunities policies. But investors in ethical funds need to be even more vigilant than those in other funds. The criteria set out by

some fund managers are vague enough to allow them to invest in companies whose activities some investors would find distasteful.

Lee Coates, an independent financial adviser whose firm. the Ethical Investors Group, specialises in ethical investments. said: "A lot of com-panies are fudging the criteria and the problem is that with the criteria so vague it allows companies to find

Pharmaceutical companies which experimented on ani-mals while developing drugs and cosmetics were one area of concern. The fund managers of NM Financial Management's Conscience Fund argue that while they will not invest in companies which use animals to develop cosmetics, the importance of testing drugs which could save human lives overrides

ethical concerns. Some funds also continue to invest in big conglomerates which earn part of their profit from South Africa. The Amity fund run by the Ecclesiastical Group will not invest in companies with "material involve-ment in South Africa". Mr Coates said: "This is very vague. What does material involvement mean?"

Ecclesiastical said it used several measures, including the number of employees and a company's level of turnover and profits in South Africa. Sue Round, who manages the fund, said: "Everyone has a

Peter Webster, director of EIRIS, the ethical investment research service, said: "There are clearly lots of different ideas of what's ethical and what isn't but it's very unsafe to think 'I'm ethical and this is an ethical fund'. Investors need to ask whether companies are putting much effort into research." Investors are most concerned about avoiding investment in companies which harm the environment and those which

trade in arms. Mr Webster said that concerned investors should write to the fund manager. "A lot of funds listen, and people should write in. It will make a difference." Meetings like the one held twice yearly by NM for its Conscience Fund should not be rejected as a gimmick. Mr Webster said.

Investors in unit trusts who find themselves disagreeing with the aims of the fund can cash in their units. Those taking out a long-term contract like a pension or life assurance policy linked to an ethical fund could find it costly to move.

Skandia is aiming to give investors access to a range of funds managed by different companies, partly so that people are not trapped in one fund with their money going to companies they disapprove of. This is particularly important, as the Skandia fund is only offered linked to a life assurance or pension contract, both of which are longterm commitments and

expensive to get out of. The fund will be managed by Jupiter Tyndall Mertin, specialists in ethical investment, and stock selection will be overseen by Mr Coates.

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Taxing matters: Barbara and Maurice Michaels with the letters relating to their claim for a refund

Inland Revenue plans to be the customer's friend

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

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The Revenue says it recog-

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LONGER opening hours. quick turnround times for letters and teach yourself tax videos are all part of the Incharter detailed this week. The department admits that it does not expect to be loved by the 30 million taxpayers. but it hopes that improvements in the service will help the department to become

Staff have started wearing name badges, identifying themselves on the telephone and signing their own letters. From April, 17 tax enquiry centres will open at 8am and others will continue in business until 8pm to make it easier for those in work to deal with their tax affairs.

The number of people using the centres out of ordinary hours will eventually determine the working day for the 400 enquiry offices. Typically, the offices open from 10am to 4pm. The longer hours experiment will take place in Belfast, Birming, coded so that the right one is ham. Bury St Edmunds, easier to find. Next year's tax Croydon, East Kilbride, Liverpool, Manchester, New-million taxpayers, is among castle, Newport (Wales), Plymouth, Reading, Romford, Sheffield, Southampton, Southend, Torquay and Watford for 12 months.

The Inland Revenue's mobile enquiry centres that visited 29 places last year will next year visit 70.

For the first time, target turnround times for replying to customers' letters have been published. From April, tax and collection offices should be able to reply to all letters and spend more than E268 in accountancy fees to persuade the Inland Revenue to refund overpaid tax. But the Revenue has steadfastly refused to make any ex gratia payment for the extra costs incurred (Lindsay Cook writes).

The Revenue can make such compensate him for his time. effort and the delay in payment. The case involves overpay-

£682.44. Although Mr Michaels' wife, Barbara, had sufficient national insurance contributions to earn a pension of £16 to £18 a week, the couple were taxed as if the pension was being paid to the husband for his wife. When the letter claiming back the overpaid tax was submitted to the Revenue in East Kilbride in April by Pan-nell Kerr Forster, Mr Michaels' accountant, it appeared to be

tinued to pursue a disputed bill of £213.86 and to ignore a vol-untary payment of £442.55 made 18 months earlier. At this stage the accountant pointed out: "To have to write this letter to draw your attention to errors and to advise our client that the refund made is insufficient has cost our client additional accountancy fees plus VAT when our original calculation sent to you is correct."

inform you, however, I will be incorporate notes on how to reviewing the assessments again shortly." In July, the acc-The departure into videos ountant wrote again, requesting the revised assessment and ment that begins with a teach refund. The reply, a fortnight later, said: "I must apologise for overlooking the statement and that I will ensure all corres-

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> Mr Michaels received an accountant's bill in July, for threeand-a-half months. The firm

ONE reader had to write 15 VAT was the cost of the additional work caused "by the in-spector's disregard of the figures" sent in April Mr Michairman of the board of the Revenue, making a formal application for a payment to cover the extra accountancy charges

Within days he received a holding letter and in October a ance and collection division This stated that the taxpayers charter did not provide for reimbursement of accountance fees. The department said that the overlooking of the £442.55 paid in 1989 and the failure to explain how this had happened were not serious errors. They were "pardonable ones of the kind which happen from time to time despite our best

intentions". afraid I do not consider that what happened here falls within the criteria for serious error nuder on bractice,

Still unhappy, Mr Michaels wrote again in November, challenging the decision. It took until January 17 for him to receive a reply, and only then after he sent a reminder. The tax official explained that he had been away for Christmas, would be forthcoming.

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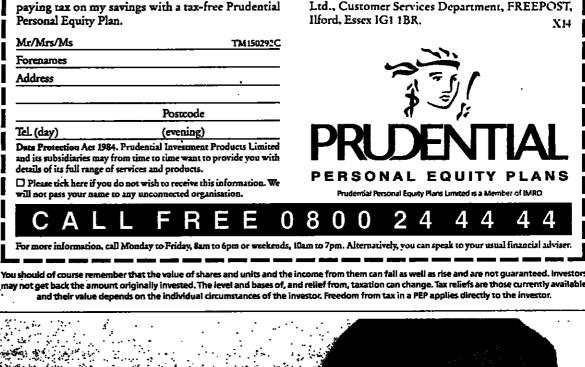
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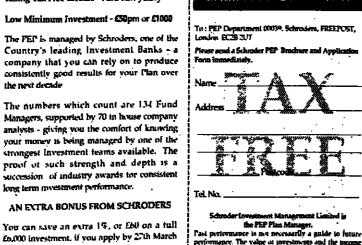
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Faced with a fight for survival, private client stockbrokers are shedding their fusty image

Going for broker in a crowded field

BY RUPERT BRUCE

PRIVATE client stockbrokers and building societies used to be as like as chalk and cheese. But now the Abbey National. a former building society, has announced plans to launch a private client stockbroker at the end of 1992, and no one has batted an eyelid.

Abbey National will try to copy the success of the execution-only brokers like the banks and Birminghambased Sharelink. They simply take an order by telephone or post, and execute it for a low

This is one of many chal-lenges to the dwindling band of traditional private client stockbrokers who offer advice and even portfolio manage-

ment, but at a higher price. In many cases it is forcing them upmarket, and two distinct types of private client broker have emerged. David Jones, Sharelink's

chief executive, anticipated just such a development when he set up the business in 1987. In five years his workforce has grown to 250 full-time employees, and has expanded to 750 when times are busy.

He has been copied by the likes of Fidelity Share Services, which again offers a low-cost dealing service. Fidelity differs in that it administers clients' portfolios, and will relay stock market information although it does not

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Neither of the two chains of private client stockbrokers formed by mergers has been a conspicuous success. The National Investment Group was sold to Capel Cure Myers which is now reported to be up for sale itself. Allied Profaced extensive redundancies, and is said to be a hotbed of

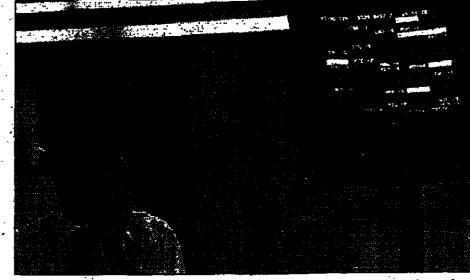
As if all that were not enough, private client stockbrokers now face the cost of conventing their back offices to the Taurus paperless settlement system by April 1993. They will also have to prepare for a new rolling settlement system timetable by early

Faced with a fight for survival, the bowler-hatted private client broker is beginning to evolve. Many of the most upmarket London brokers, like Cazenove. started charging fees rather than commission some time ago, and their less elitist provincial cousins are following

BWD Rensburg, the north-ern stockbroking firm. started giving its clients a choice between fees and commission last April. Clients who come to Rensburg for

Exact figures are hard to come by, but many big London stockbrokers sold their private client lists to provincial firms in the late Eighties, after Big Bang. Many of the pure private client firms shut or merged

vincial, while profitable, has



Ringing the changes: Brokers like James Capel are having to update their services

advice or a discretionary portfolio management service now have the option of paying a sliding scale of fees and a flat £25 dealing charge, or the

old commission. Under the Premier Plus Service portfolios are valued. a nominees service is provided, and tax vouchers are prepared. Rensburg expects 5 per cent of its stockbroking income from fees this year and the rest from

Allied Provincial is considering a similar path. A spokesman said: "I think any sort of private client broker is talking about charging in a different way."

Many private client brokers are also developing to provide a complete range of financial services, from drawing up a will, to life insurance, to portfolio management.

Ian Wade is chairman of the private client division at Albert E. Sharp, the Birmingham firm, and also a director of Sharelink, and so is in a position to watch developments on both sides of the private client business.

He said: "I think a split is occurring in the industry. The old stockbroker was half way between execution-only and advisory. People asked about Marks & Spencer and bought some. That type of business was always vulnera-

ble to execution-only type of

There have always been brokers like us who have looked to provide a full portfolio service. We are at the other end of the split. The hole is appearing in the middle, which is the rather low value-

Quite apart from reshaping their businesses the traditional private client brokers are

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also preparing to cast off their fusty exclusive image and market themselves. Their trade association, the Association of Private Client Investment Managers and Stockbrokers, is preparing a marketing campaign. Michael Baker, chief execuwank it

tive, will emphasise that stockbrokers have to pass an examination while other financial advisers do not. He will also emphasise the openness of stockbroking charges compared with the life insurance industry. He says that while today's 12 million shareholders will decrease in number, those that are left will have even larger portfolios as they are made richer by inheritance. He hopes his members will

Mr Jones of Sharelink. whose previous vision has made him a rich man, has another prediction. He forecasts that private client stockbroking will polarise into four areas. On the execution-only side there will be businesses like Sharelink and companies like Abbey National which take their share registers and dealing in-house. And on the traditional side there will be advisory stockbrokers, which charge for advice but contract out the dealing, accompanied by a small band of increasingly upmarket firms which do

Compensation scheme comes under fire BY SARA MCCONNELL the claim on the first occasion were perfectly proper and in line with scheme

THE Investors Compensation Scheme could face renewed investigation of its handling of an investor's claim for compensation if the trade secretary decides to act on calls this week to reopen the

The ICS last week rejected the finding of an independent report by David Donaldson QC, that the scheme had in the first place wrongly rejected a claim by David Wight through maladminis-tration. Mr Wight and his wife Susan had invested a total of E55,000 in bonds. ment Management, which collapsed in April 1989, and are claiming £25,000 from the ICS. The Wights submitted another claim after the first one was rejected and this time the report found no evidence of maladministration. However, the ICS said it believed that the procedures followed in rejecting rules and procedures".

George Foulkes, the Wights' MP, has now written to Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, calling for a wider investigation into the handling of the claim and pro-testing at the ICS's "high-handed atti-tude". He also urged Mr Lilbey to consider "whether it is appropriate in the light of this decision, for the members of

the ICS board to continue in office". The ICS said it had written to Mr Wight asking for his comments on the report and would look at any claim for

costs sympathetically.

Mr and Mrs Wight had received a cheque for £25,470.64 in November 1989. This was the value of a Crusader bond surrendered on their behalf by James Cunningham, Greenan's manag-ing director, in January 1989. The Wights also received interest up to April 12, 1989, from ICS. The original invest-

ment in the Crusader bond had been £45,060. They were also paid £11,088.75 compensation for invest-ments in unit trusts. However, the Wights argued that ICS did not take made by Mr Cunningham when assess-ing the compensation claim, and are claiming the remaining portion of their

investment. Denis Child, chairman of ICS, said: There was admittedly an error in the presentation of the earlier case al-though no evidence was withheld, but it is our opinion that this does not really oil down to maladministration, which is a serious charge." He added: "I'd like to clear this case up. I am not against David Wight. Our priority is to help

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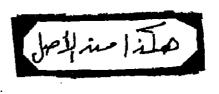
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Manchester consultant. King & Co, said: "You have to offer something sensible. Fifty per cent of the total owed is average. Thirty per cent would probably be too

The offer has to be approved by creditors representing three-quarters

advised, most peop le can arrive at a mutually be neficial package. Mr King said that nine in ten of the offer's made largely because IVA ipenefits were normally so much better for creditors than if the debtor was declared bankrupt. He calculates that credit ors involved in bankruptcy cases per cent of what they are owed, whereas those with

personal voluntary a rrangements should regain around 50 per cent. In the reader's cause, the creditors were particularly lucky, because the practitio-ner discovered he had an annuity that could be cashed in and used to repay all his debts. He said: "I was debts. He said: stunned. I was un der the impression I couldn't touch it, but apparently you can in these circumstances.

been reached, it is ra tified in court. Provided the debtor keeps to the terms of the IVA, he is then permaneratly pro-

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MANY of the 22,632 people tected against legal action by individual creditors. One of the most significant

was the level of ignorance shown by his advisers. His A reader from rura | Wales accountant, solicitor and bank manager — who, as creditors in their own right, will now benefit from the IVA - had never heard of the

> According to Steven Hill, technical parmer with Cork Gully, the insolvency practitioner, there are still cases where people are declared bankrupt, when they should have chosen the IVA route. He said there was provision in the 1986 Act, for people to convert from bankruptcy to an IVA. "But it is not a very popular option, firstly expenses involved and, secondly, because creditors, who have already had to wait a long time for their money, are often unwilling to throw yet more money at the problem."
> He calculates that IVAs

were used in just one in every eight of last year's 20,000plus personal insolvency cases. Although ignorance muster. Steve King, of the may be partly to blame, he

said, the main reason was "the unparalleled ability of the enstay convinced something will turn up when there is no realistic chance of salvation". Ir other words, people who would have done much bet-

ter to opt for the Hill: act early ue of the debt. Correctly ue trading until the debts account for much too high a share of realisable assets to

make an IVA a viable option were not normally suitable for consumer debtors — that is to say, people in trouble with finance houses and other consumer credit institutions because of the fees. The simplest form of IVA, including a few court appearances and the drafting, and distri-bution to creditors, of an IVA proposal, would cost between £500 and £1,000.

Mr King recomme ing his type of firm, because of its ability to negotiate lower fees, and select practitioners with experience in the still relatively specialised area of IVAs. However, he charges "perhaps 10 per cent" of the final settlement to creditors. Lists of insolvency practitio-ners are available from local county court offices, libraries

Mr Hill added that bankruptcy had lost much of its stigma, and remained the best option for many people.

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By Owen Dyer

ANY couple thinking of transferring their home from one spouse's name into joint names should think again. It could cost them hundreds or even thousands of pounds when they come to sell.

A little-noticed section of the Insolvency Act 1986 could require them to take out a special insurance policy just to sell their house. In a buyer's market like today's, it could even deter potential Mortgage lenders are in-

sisting that sellers insure against the former owner's bankruptcy before sales can The Act was designed to prevent businessmen threat-

ened with bankruptcy from evading creditors by putting the family home into the wife's name. It gives the court sweeping powers to set aside any gift or any sale for less than the full market value within the previous five years if the person transferring the property later becomes bankrupi. Children who get lifetime gifts of property from their parents may also be caught by the Act. So may former wives who win the family home in a divorce

The court can exercise its powers even if the property is sold after the transfer but before the bankruptcy to an



Castles defender: Patrick Stevens raised the issue innocent buyer who paid the full market price. So anyone buying within five years of a

gift or transfer at less than market value could risk having their home snatched back to pay a bankrupt former owner's creditors. Patrick Stevens, a Clwyd solicitor who has raised the

issue with the Law Society. said: "No Englishman's home can be his castle if the castle can be snatched back at any time within five years. Imagine the uproar if goods on HP could be taken back if the HP company went bust. Problems do not arise only

on sales. Somebody given property or sold it for less than full value may also have to take out insurance against

the donor's insolvency when applying for a mortgage to carry out improvements.

Premiums vary widely, depending on the amount insured, the former owner's circumstances, and how much of the five-year period has elansed. Insurers are reluctant to quote examples, saying each case depends on its individual facts, but figures range from 0.2 per cent of the full sale price to 1 per cent of the interest transferred - which could mean £2,000 on a £400,000 house

put into joint names. One solicitor acted for an elderly aunt whose nephew had transferred his one-third interest in their jointly owned house to her. She was quoted nephew's former share when she arranged to sell the house for £80,000. But the insurers insisted on building in five years' inflation, which raised the premium to £395, or 1.5

The insurers, Royal Insurance, required an accountant's report on the nephew's financial circumstances, which added to the cost.

The Law Society is pressing for a change in the law to protect buyers in good faith from the risk of losing their home, although it believes there is little danger that the courts would oust an innoagrees that the risk is minimal and insists that any amendment would have to be introduced by a private mem-

A spokesman for the Nationwide Building Society also doubted that the courts would exercise the power, but said the society normally insisted on insurance and admitted that the premiums were "quite high"

Insurers and brokers could not think of a single case where a payout had been made under such a policy. It seems that thousands of homeowners are being effectexpensive insurance against an eventuality that experts agree will probably never

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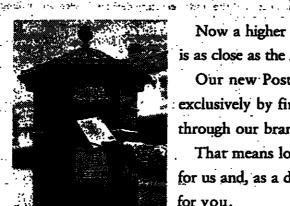
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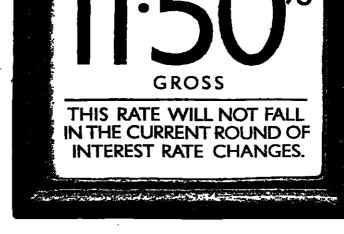
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Money talks and walks

From Mr Deryck Roberts

Sir, The article by Lindsay Cook (Weekend Money, February 1) was interesting in pointing out the activities of the Halifax Building Society in its timing of the announcement of the new charges on savings accounts of less than £50. Quite rightly, the article states that, by next year, the Halifax will not need to divulge how many people have closed their accounts because

May I add a salutary

This ill-thought imposition will have a knock-on effect that, hopefully, will reflect on their trading account for next

I, like many other parents, have been encouraging my children to save - no matter how little - with sound, caring organisations, should the day come when one needs to be talking about mortgages and extensions etc.

My two children have now closed their accounts with the Halifax — no big deal as far as the Halifax is concerned but the knock-on effect is that my wife has also closed her account (well above the £50 limit), in protest. Whilst she was waiting in a long queue, it became obvious that others were of like mind.

Adding to the knock-on effect, my 25-year endowment policy (ironically cover-ing my 23-year mortgage with the Halifax!) matures in two years' time.

No prizes for guessing who will not be handling the investment of this money.

I do not need to attend an AGM to make my voice heard - money talks.

Yours faithfully, DERYCK ROBERTS. 260 Maldon Road,

Wayward interest From Mr Gordon Dennis

Colchester, Essex.

Sir, I can't compete with Dr Binns' report (February 8) of the Nationwide Building So-ciety taking seven days to clear a cheque; but I have a small, poignant tale.

On January 31, a regular monthly payment left my Oxford bank to travel 14 miles to my wife's building society; it was credited on February 4. During those five days, neither of us received any interest on our money. Where was it? And who was

Yours faithfully, GORDON DENNIS. Ramleh, The Green, Standlake, Oxfordshire.



Lease anomalies

From Ms Joan South

Sir, Mr Henson was quite correct in the letter (Weekend Money, February 8) that Lindsay Cook's article on the subject of leasehold enfranchisement (February 1) was a timely reminder of the anomalies which have prevented a large number of house leaseholders and particularly those in central London from enfranchising under the provisions of the 1967 Leasehold Reform Act.

have been concerned that a number of articles appearing in the press have dwelt on rateable value as the only bogy to be eliminated, whereas we pleased to see Lindsay Cook's article correctly mentions the other value related condition, namely the notori-ous two-thirds rule, which the government must abolish if they do seriously intend to end once and for all the anomalies

Many such leaseholders

which the 1967 act created. The imposition of both rateable value and ground rent qualifications was from the outset always arbitrary. No explanation was given for the inclusion of a rateable value limit in the white paper which preceded the 1967 legislation, nor was there any mention

Sir. It is difficult enough

income and rely on the state pension, and there is some-thing of a surprise for wouldbe claimants of personal al-Although I reach the age of

It seems rather incongru-

ney, where rateable values are modest (often no more than £300) but where post-1967 act leases have consistently set ground rents at unen-tranchisable levels. It is therefore vitally impor-tant that the new legislation the

government has in mind to amend the 1967 act must remove both value related conditions, particularly in the light of the fact that the intended commonhold legislation provides for no such restrictive

Yours faithfully JOAN SOUTH (Campaign Co-ordinator), Leasehold Enfranchisement Association, 10 Upper Phillimore Gardens, W8.

Tax time warp

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65 on April 3. (that is to say, within the 1991-2 financial year) I do not qualify for the increased age allowance until April 6 1993.

ous that I have to wait 12

months for the increased allowance when anyone getting married during a financial year can claim an annual proportion for the married man's allowance.

Yours faithfully. C.A. KENNETT, 163 Hillside Road, Beeston, Nottinghamshire.

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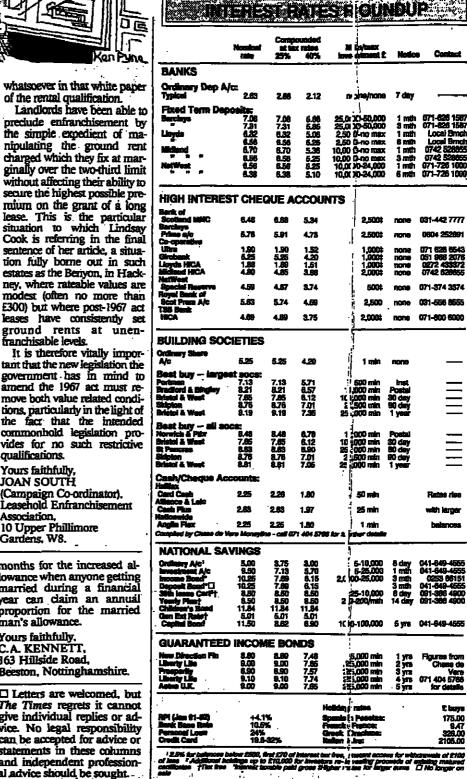
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From Mr Michael Field

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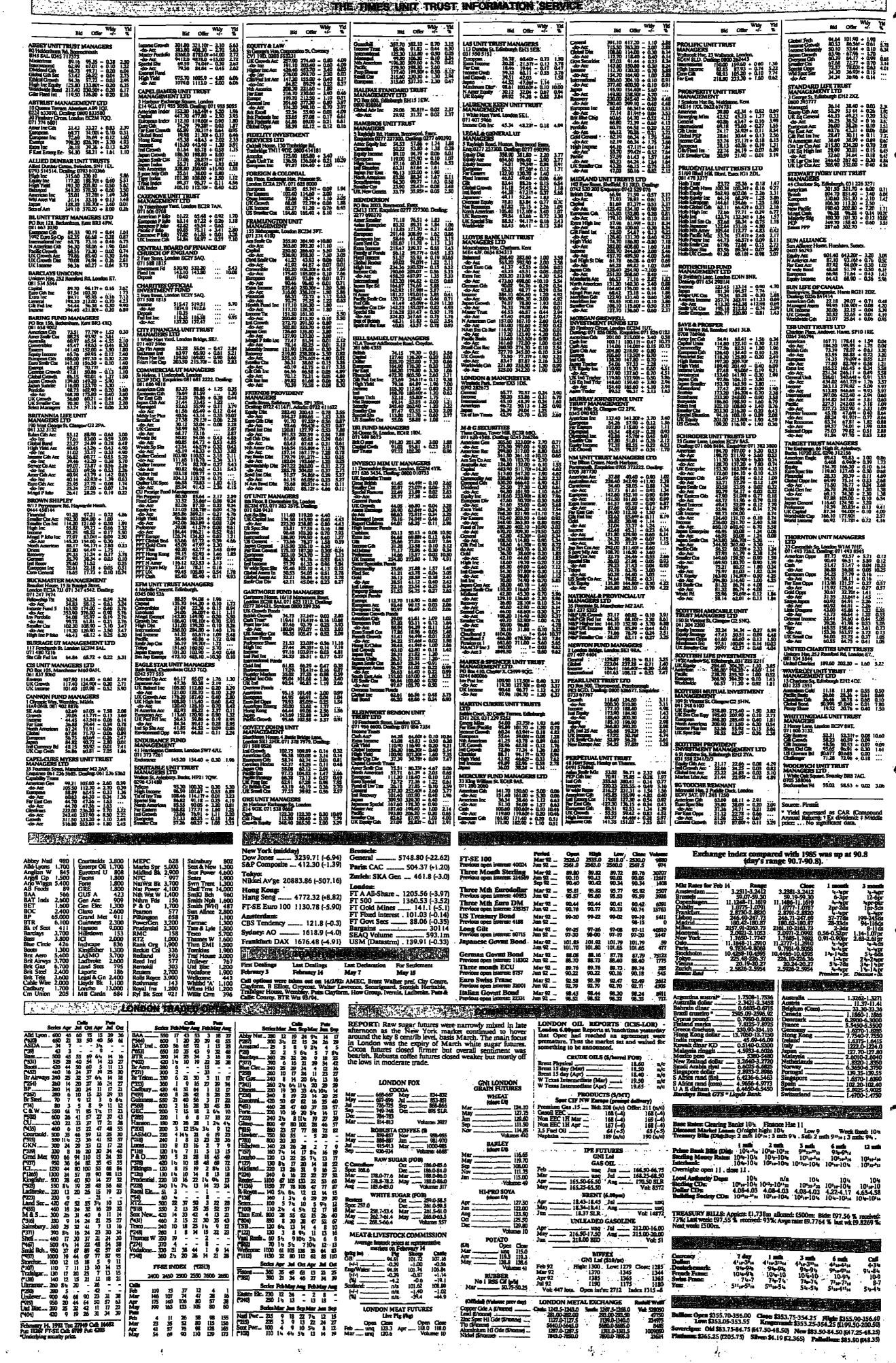
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Austrian favourite for the women's downhill believes that controversial course is too dangerous

Kronberger sees no easy path to gold

FROM DAVID POWELL IN MÉRIBEL

THE British discovered Méribel as a place to ski shortly before the second world war, but today it will be in the hands of the Austrians, Germans and Swiss. It is the women's turn, after the men's last Saturday, to contest the most prized Alpine medal, the downhill. Nobody is betting against Petra Kronberger.

The course, on the Roc de Fer, has again put Bernhard Russi, the designer of the men's and women's pistes, at the centre of controversy. Kronberger is not happy with it, which is as much of an insult to the locals as Steffi Graf complaining to Wimbledon about the grass on centre

When Patrick Ortlieb won the men's downhill on La Face de Bellevarde in Val d'Isère, he refused to change his opinion. He had said beforehand, and he said it again with the gold medal in his possession, that the course was too slow and an inadequate challenge.

Kronberger, attempting to give Austria the downhill double, is complaining be-cause this one is too challenging. "The jumps are danger-ous," she said. "They are not necessary. The downhill can be spectacular without those

On the second of two jumps, which is taken blind, the skiers fly through the air for up to 140 feet. When they land, the surface runs away to the left while competitors need to turn sharp right. If their adjustment before takeoff is imperfect, the chances are they will crash into the safety net. It was there that Sabine Ginther, winner of the most recent World Cup downhill in Grindelwald, suffered injuries in training on Tuesday which put her out of the Games, and four others

Report angers skiers

paper report. The five members of the moguls team were upset by the report, which compared them to Eddie 'The Eagle" Edwards, and suggested they should not be in Albertville.

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"My skiers are full-time and dedicated competitors." Jonathon Bayntun, the British team manager, said. To



Kronberger, who won the combined gold medal on Thursday and is seeking to become the first skier in Olympic history to win more than three titles at one Games, has opposition to her view. Krista Schmidinger, of the United States, who was second to her in the combined downhill, said: "I have had no problems with the jumps. In fact, I really like them."

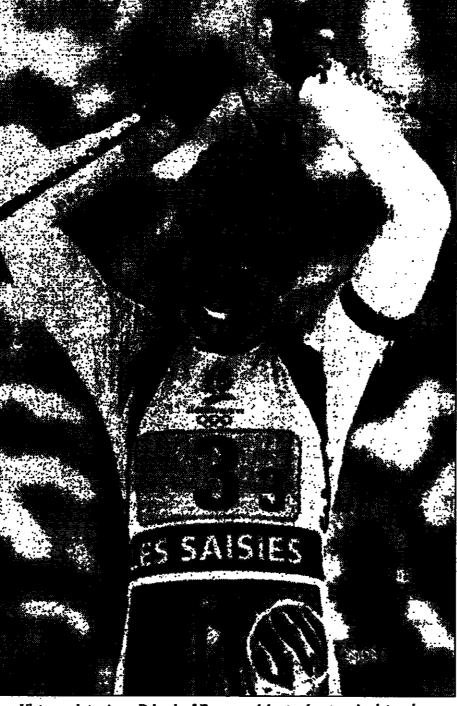
Her national coach, Paul Major, yesterday welcomed the move to toughen women's downhill.

Last year, Kronberger won the only downhill staged so far on today's course which, at 2,705 metres (2,958 yards), is unusually long. She also won the downhill section of the combined, but, as the men's race proved, when Franz Heinzer was the favourite but finished only sixth, others must be considered. The German challenge looks formidable. Katja Seizinger has won two of five World Cup downhills this season, and is probably the greatest threat to Kronberg-er. Miriam Vogt has been consistently in the top half-

The Swiss challenge is led by Chantal Bournissen, who won the season's opening downhill and was third in Grindelwald. Britain's influence here will remain purely -

BRITISH freestyle skiers are be likened to Eddie Edwards angry at being labelled is an insult for them. All of them have finished this season in the top half of a World Cup field, otherwise the British Ski Federation would not have selected them." All Britons finished in the

bottom half of their events. Hugh Hutchison was the leading British man, in 25th place out of 47 competitors. while Jilly Curry was fifteenth out of 24 among the women.



Victory salute: Anne Briand, of France, celebrates her team's victory in the 5-kilometre biathlon relay event at Les Saisies yesterday

Nordic skling Women's 3 x 7.5km relay (Les Salsies)

Ski jumping 120m high hill Team event (Courchevel)

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(Ger), 1/23.06; 9, A Baler (Ger), 1/23.31;
10, E Humyedy (Austra), 1/23.40; 11, SunHee You (S Korea), 1/23.49; 12, H Mayer
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MEDALS TABLE



PROGRAMME

All times GMT Today

08.00: Bobsleigh: two-men.
08.45: Freestyle skiing: aerials heats.
09.00: Cross country: men's 15km.
11:15: Alpine skiing: women's 10km.
12.00: Cross country: women's 10km.
13.30: Speed skating: men's 500m.
18.30: Figure skating: men's free programme. programme. 16.75 and 20.15: ice hockey: Pool A: Sweden v Finland; United States v Poland.

Browning keeps his hopes on ice

From John Hennessy IN ALBERTVILLE

THE final of the men's Olympic figure skating here tonight offers such an unusual array of possibilities that for once we may have to apply some minor mathematics before the winner-emerges.

Ordinarily, one of the first three in the original programme section comes first in free skating. That guideline cannot be applied now, not with a skater like Kurt Browning, world champion the last three years, lying fourth, behind Viktor Petrenko, of the United Team, Petr Barna, Czechoslovakia, and Paul Wylie, the United States.

For Browning to take the gold medal, however, he will need help from elsewhere. Not only must he, almost certainly, win the free skating but someone else must finish in front of Petrenko. Recall-ing how poorly the Ukrainian skated in the European championships at Lausanne three weeks ago, it is not hard to visualise Barna, for one, outpointing him again.

In that case, Browning and Barna would both finish with three points and the tie would be broken in the Canadian's favour by his superior free

skating marks.
Clearly, Browning holds the key. On his record, and indeed his form, he is expected to win tonight's free skating, but doubts persist about his physical fitness and, so to speak, his match fitness after being out of action for most of the season through injury.

Certainly, his clattering fall in the original programme on the triple axel came out of the blue. He was again vulnerable during yesterday's prac-tice, leaving us to wonder-whether all will be right on the night, and whether his big-match temperament will see him through. The draw has been gener-

ous to Browning. He skates immediately in front of Petrenko and thus can tighten the pressure. The order of the last group is: Urmanov, Browning, Petrenko, Wylie, Barna and Stojko.

Steven Cousins, twelfth in the original with a superb skate, finds himself high up in the draw, following Christopher Bowman, the American champion, and preceding Urbanov.

Meanwhile, the first stage

of the ice dance competition began predictably, with the Moscow couple, Marina Klimova and Sergei Ponomarenko, first, on 0.4 points. Their fellow Muscovites, Maia Usova and Alexander Zhulin, are second, on 0.8, and the world champions, Paul Duchesnay and his sister, Isabelle, third, on 1.2.

Nieminen flies undaunted in the face of fear

Toni Nieminen, the 16-year-old from Lahti, produced a final ski jump here in Courchevel yesterday so astonishing that it simultaneously gave Finland the team 120-metre gold medal and frightened Austria, the first-round leaders, into second place. Before Nieminen's dramatic leap. hundreds of Austrians were on the point of celebrating an addition to their dominant position at the head of the medals

"Toni knows no fear," a Finnish colleague told me. open-mouthed in admiration. "He has grown up with the new V-style. which generates a huge G-force in the drop, and is more dangerous than the old, conventional, parallelski system. But to him it has come naturally."

The jumping is at Courchevel-Le Praz, at 4,000 feet. Later. at Courchevel 1850, tucked up among the pines and five star hotels, at nearly 6,000 feet, Peter Tallberg, the International Olympic Committee member for Finland, presents the med-als. Courchevel conducts its evening ceremonies in an ambience truly French and uniquely Alpine.

Choral music greets a crowd of several thousand gathered around the openair podium beside the ski lifts - which can take you over Mount Saulire and down again to Méribel while six soldiers in mountain-white kits arrive with the flags of Finland, Austria and Czechoslovakia.

The Olympic anthem is played, while overhead the cablecar cabins shuffle through the snowcapped trees. Small girls and boys, furnities in least research. figurines in local costume, who might have stepped out of a ballet by Berlioz, carry forward the medals.

Nieminen smiles a child's spontaneous, open-eyed smile: he could be ten. The Finnish anthem plays, the Czech flag jams on its mast, but who minds? Ski instructors with torches form a guard of honour, and the crowd slowly melts away into the night and the snug restaurants. It an idyllic end to a

Austria had led Finland narrowly on the first round of jumps, an earlier round having been terminated midway through because the run was too fast. Ernst Vettori, of Austria, for example, who had already won the individual 90-metre title earlier in the week, had exceeded 125 metres, regarded as dangerous.

With both Nieminen and Martin Hollwarth, of Austria, reaching 123 metres in the first round, the

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run was again fractionally shortened to reduce takeoff speed. It is estimated that every kilometre per hour, at around 95kph. can represent 10 metres on the jump. In the second round, Heinz Kuttin, Vettori and Hollwarth were respectively two, three and six metres shorter.

Taking the final jump for Finland, following Ari Nikkola, Mika Laitinen and Risto Laakkonwn. Nieminen slid down the ramp, crouched over his broad skis, and sprang from the platform with perfect timing. His pinkclad body, in frictionless jump suit, soared like a tropical bird wedged between open skis, making a final balanced landing only one metre shorter at 122 metres.

ow came Andreas Felder, with Aus-tria's last jump. With 115 metres from his first attempt, he now needed I I I metres for his team to win. Yet, so stunned was he by Nieminen's performance, that his nerve had gone and he could only reach 109.5 metres. The gold was Finland's, and the blue-and-white flags

were waving. It was a sudden and depressing reversal for Austria, whose jumping has developed dramatically in recent years under the coaching of Tony Innauer. the 1980 champion at Lake Placid at 90 metres. Innauer stopped competing at 21, went to teach psychology at Graz University, then took up an appointment at the legendary Stams winter sports school. Under his guidance, and with the new style, which Austria helped to get accepted as legal by the International Federation last year, his country confidently ex-pected a clean sweep in Albertville of this discipline.

Nieminen determined otherwise. Although this remarkable boy had managed to finish only third in the 90-metre event, finding on take off, he now reached peak form. Better than any, he exploited the drop in the wind and the reduced run on the second jump. Back in the pressroom, where the lines had been buzzing in excited German, there was a sudden silence as they paused to take in what had

happened. Czechoslovakia took third place, and, notably, Slovenia sixth position, behind Japan and Germany.

FOOTBALL

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Norwich v Notts County...... Nottm Forest v Bristol City Portsmouth v Middlesbrough . (all ticket) Sunderland v West Ham (all ticket)

Barclays League

Second division Barnsley v Southend...... Blackburn v Newcastle... Brighton v Oxford..... Cambridge v Charlion Derby County v Bristol R... Millwall v Grimsby

Third division

Birmingham v Bournemouth Brentford v Torquay Bury v Leylon Orient..... Darlington v Huddersfield Exeter v Swansea...... Hartlepool v Preston...... Peterborough v Stockport... Reading v Fulham
Shrewsbury v Chester
West Bromwich v Bradford
Wigan v Stoke

Fourth division Barnet v Maidstone...... Doncaster v Aldershot.... Gillingham v Rotherham. Mansfield v Hereford Northampton v Walsall. Scarborough v Lincoln...

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Tennents Scottish Cup

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Brechin v Queen of South
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Queen's Park v Sternhousemuir
Stranger v Arbroath

FA VASE: Fifth-round replay: Wimborn

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BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bashley v Grevesend, Cambridge City v Atherstone: Chelmstord v Fisher Ath, Dartland v Trowbridge: Dover v Gloucaster, Halesowen v Mor Green; vS Rugby v Watertoovlile Wealdstone v Bromsgrove, Worcester v Buron. Midland division: Báslion v Newgort AFC; Dudley v Bridgnorth, Grantfam v Stouten Coldflekf, Leicester Uld v Tamworth; Raddicth v RC Warwek; Rushelen v Berry, Solihus Borough v Bedworth; Stroud v Hanckley; Yels v Numeston Borough Southern division: Andover v Bury; Baldock v Hyrke; Frantisee v Havant: Buclongham v Newgort Now, Dunstable v Sudbury, Eritin and Selvedere v Stitingbrurne; Gosport Borough v Barrham, Hashings v Weymouth; Salisbury v Margate, Whiney v Cantertbury City. betvedere v stringtaurine, Ostport obught v Burnham, Hastings v Weymouth; Salisbury v Margate, Wilney v Carnerbury City. NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Southempton v Raading (2 0): Tottenham v Weet Ham (2 0). Wimbledon v Arsenal.

BASS IRISH CUP: South round: Ards v Dunmarry, Banbridge v Linfield; v Larner, Gentoren v Glersevon; Limevady Utd v Crusaders; Omagh v Baflymena; Portadown v Dungarnon.

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Prescot, Nantwich v Skelmersdale; SI
Helens v Darwen; Vauchall GM v Ashton
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JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chatlerls v Haverhal; Gorleston v Harvech and Parkeston, Lowestoft v March Town; Newmarket v Feffistione; Norwich Urid v Cornard; Stownarket v Cataton; Tiptires v Great Yarmouth; Walton v Brantiern Athletic, Wiebbech v Halstead, Wroxharn v Histon.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Mid-land Bark v Winchmore HB, NatWest Bank v Old Actorians: Old Bromletans v Norseman. West Wickham v Carshalton; Barclays Bark v East Barnet OG; Broom-letd v Polytechnic. Old Salssans v Crouch End Vampures; Old Salssans v Alexandra Park; Southgate Olympic v

GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

Scotland
ABACUS WELSH LEAGUE: National
division: Abergavenny v Inter Cardiff
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Pembroke, Brecon v Ferndale; Bridgend v
Caldicot, Briton Ferry v Cumbran
Havenfordwest v Llanelli; Maesteg V

Pembroka, Bracon v Ferndale, Bridgand v Caldidot, Briton Ferry v Cwmbran, Haverlordwest v Llenell; Maesteg V Ebbw Vale.

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Blyth Spartans v Northalberton, Essington Collegy v West Auckland; Guisborough v Shaton, Murton v Consert: Peterlee Newform's Fernyfill Allelie; Sasham Red Star v Billungham Synthonia, South Bank v Brandon, Tow Law v Langley Park Welfare; Whilby v Newcastle Blue Star.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LAGUE: Premier division: Ammorpe v Winterson: Brigg v Ossert Town; Denaby v Spernymoor. Glasshoughton v North Shadds; Harrogater Rasiway v Sheffield: Mantby v Eccleshul; North Femby v Osser ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Old Brentwoods v Old Etonian. Glasshoughton v Auch Shaddson: Old Brentwoods v Old Etonians. Glid Carthusians v Laneng Old Boyst Clid Malvernians v Old Aldenhammans v Old Harrovians. Old Salopans v Old Brendirektians. Old Salopans v Old Brendirektians.

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SOUTHERN OLYMPIAN LEAGUE: First division: Old Beatonlars v Southgate County; Old Finchisens v Mill Hill Village; Partield v Colposa; St Mary's College v RUGBY UNION

Five nations' championship

Second division

Club matches

Maesteg v Llaneli Newbridge v Cardiff Pontypridd v Newport Swansea v Neath

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PROVINCIAL INSURANCE CUP: Sooth round: North: Bradford Salem v Moresby Park: Edwardson v Altreicham Kersal. South: Fakenham v Bracknell; Stow-on-the-Wold v Bicester

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NARL CHALLENGE CUP: Second round: Saddleworth v Mislom, St Patricks v Astaum, Laigh MWV v Moldigneen. This round guarter-finales: Mayheld v Heworth, West Hull v Dudley hill First division: Basrow Island v Woolston. Second division: Rednill v Mislord; Outton v Walney Central. Dewsbury Cellic v Lock Lane

HOCKEY PERONI SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: Anchorians v Woking: Chich-ester v Camberley, Eastcote v Worthing,

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL 3.0 unless stated FA Cup

Fifth round Bolton v Southampton (all ticket)...

Barclays League Tottenham v Crystal Palace (12.0)...

FAI HARP LAGER CUP: First round: Bray Wanderers v Ashtown, Cobh Rambler v Monaghan Uld, Cork City v Edenmore. Derry v Sigo: Galway v Fermoy (3.50): Glemone Cel v Meyda Park (2.30); Home Farm v Fanad Uld, Kilkenny v Dundalk, Longford v Drogheda: SI James's v Athlone (1.0): St Patrick's Ath v Sharmock, UCD v Finn Harps, Waterlord v Wayside Celt.

WOMEN'S FA: Premier division: Meld-stone Tigresses v Doncaster Bekles: Milwall Lionesses v Knowsley Und: Red Star Southampton v Norte Rengers: wmbledon v joswich Town. First division north: Bronie v Wolverhampton: Sheffield Wednesday v Spondon: Sunderland v Delives Angyle, Villa Azleos v Cowgata Kestrols. First division south: Abbrydale v Hassocks Bosonn, Arsenel v Milton Keynes: Brighton and Hove v Regate; Town and Country v Broadbridge Heeth

RUGBY LEAGUE BRITISH COAL TEST: France v Great Britain (al Perpignan, 3.0) SILK CUT CHALLENGE CUP: Second round: Wigan v Warrington (3.0)

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Braction v St Helens (5 15): Haktax v Swinton (3 0): Suitord v Fasiherstone (3.0). Second division: London Crusaders v Otdham (3.0); Rochade v Leigh (3.0); Rycatale-York v Carilale (3 15) Sheitleld v Workington (1 0) Third division: Barrow v Huddersteld (2 30); Battey v Bramley (2 30): Choney v Nottrigham (3 0). Hunslet v Doncaster (3 30): Whitefaven v Dewsbury (3.30) BRITISH AMATEUR RUGBY LEAGUE:

Travellors Saints v Leigh Minore: Eastmoor v Wigan St Patnick; Siddel v Widnes St Maries, Saddleworth v Wigan St Judes YOUNGERS ALLIANCE: Second di-YOUNGERS ALLIANCE CHALLENGE CUP. Second round: Wakefield v Hull (2 30)

HOCKEY PIZZA EXPRESS NATIONAL LEAGUE: PIZZA EXPHESS NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Index Gymkhan v Lyons (Feliham School, 20): Slough v Fire-brands (Wesham School, 20): Trogens v Slourpor! (Trogens SC, 130) Second division: Barlord Tigers v Richmond (Hollyheed SC, 1,0) Brean v Formby (King Alfred FC Highbridge, 120): Cartibridge City v Bournemouth (Coldhams Common, 2 30); Cheltenham v Chelmand (Bournside SC, 2 0); Gore Court v Reading (Anchorlans SC Galingham, 2 30); Surption v Warrington (Sudgen Road, 2 30); Walsheld v Isca (Featherstone SC, 2 0).

WOMEN'S COUNTY MATCHES: Devon v Somerset. Witshire v Clifton Club matches: Liverpool v Doncaster, Poynton v Springfields, WRNS v Southempton WOMEN'S TERRITORIAL UNDER 16 and 18 CHAMPIONSHIPS (Stanley Park) BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG NATIONAL LEAGUE (40) unies staten) Men: First division: Burmingham Bullets v Kingston: Hemel Hempstead Royals v Cheshire Jets (6 0); Hempstead Royals v Cheshre Jetz (6 0);
Lecester Rides v Thames Valley Tiges:
London Towers v Worthing Bears (6 0);
Sunderland Sauts v Manchester Giants
(6 0) Second division: Briston Topcats v
Bamsley Generals, Cardill Succaneers v
Oldham Celtics. Third division: Crystal
Palace Semors v Stevenege Phoeno,
(2 0) Women: First division: Briston
Lady Topcats v Shethedt Hatters (2 0);
Josuch v London Central VMCA;
Lecester v Nottingham Wildcels (1 30);
Second division: Nithon Keynes O Cats v
Hartesden Amazons, Sunderland v Northampton 86 ars (3 45)

ICE HOCKEY HEINEKEN NATIONAL LEAGUE: Pre-mier division: Durham Waspa v Notting-

AT 2.30

B International France v England (Paris, 11.0) Heineken Welsh League Bridgerid v Pontypool

ham Panthers; Murrayheid Racers Cardiff Devila; Norwich and Peterborou Pirates v Bracknist Bees, Whitley Warric Basigham Bombers First divisio Blackburn Blackhawks v Basingelo Beavers, Fife Fiyers v Tradford Metro Lee Valley Lons v Stough Jets; Romfo Raiders v Swindon Witdels

ENGLISH LEAGUE: First division: Med-way Beers v Solent Vikings: Sheffleid Steelers v Haringey Racers. Solihut Barons v Coford City Stars; Streatham Redskuns v Chelmsford Cheets

VOLLEYBALL ROYAL BANK NATIONAL LEAGUE: Women: First division: Britannia Muse v Hitton Leeds, Achcombe Dorking I v Bermingham, Woolwich Britton v Trafford Volleyball: Southgate v Dynamo London

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: National indoor champio ships (NIA, Birmingham) CYCLO-CROSS: National Trophy League final round (Myrite Park, Bingley,

SNOOKER: Regal Welsh Open (NewportC)

TENNIS: LTA men's indoor satellite tournament (Tailord)

Fareham v Hugh Wycombe, Old Michehingiftians v Old Bordenuans; Oxlord Hawks v Old Tauntoniane; Starres v Marden Russets, Tumbridge Welts v Bognor, Winchester v Athifurd Regionals: Hampsahire and Surrey: Barnes v Orshort, Eppom v Oxted, Goan v Merton, Met Police v Preti, NatWest Bank v Oxfort Protestor, NatWest Bank v City of Portsmouth, Old Edwardnas v Old Walcounteans, Old Whitgittians v Basingsloke; Southampton Univ v Fleet, Walton v Hamble Old Boys Kent and Susset: BICC v Mid Susses, Burnt Ash v Old Holcombeans, Crowborough v East-bourne, Gravesend v Old Beccetamars; Horsham v Lloyds Bank; Lewes v Tonbridge, Mid-Susses v Sevenceke; Old Wilkamsonens v Horsham, Themes Poly v Rochester and Gillingham. Middlessex, Berkshire, Bucks and Oxon: Amersham v Hayes, City of London v Gerrards Cross, Hendon v Wokingham Mill Hill v Harriw, NPL v Aylesbury; Southgate Adel v Old Merchani Taylors'. Surbury v Marlov: Windoor v Ramgarthis; Witney v Bracknetl.

PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: MLCA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Blackheath v Weybridge Hawks, Cam-bridge University v Purley; Cheam v Spencer, Duhwair v London University; Hampstead and Westmanter v Beck-enham, Masdenhead v Mid-Surrey; Tuke Hill v Wimbledon.

ERINST AND YOUNG MIDLANDS LEAGUE: Premier division: Beeslon v Edgbaston: Belper v Nottimpham. Bloswich v Khalsa, Bridginorth v Diton and West Warwicks; Leocator Westleigh v Coventry and North Westwicks.

LEAGUE: First division: Crester v Oxton; Deesde Ramblers v St Helens. Knutsford v Menchester; Manchester YMCA v Springfields, Northop Hell v West Derby, Southport v Winnington Part. Prescot v Macclesfield; Wigan v Cheetham Hill.

IALPERN AND WOOLF NORTH WEST

NORTH EAST LEAGUE: First division: Bulingham v Tynedala, Carlisle v Norton, Darlington v Tynemouth, South Shields v Redcar: Stockton v Morpeth, Wintensiven v Sunderland Redcar: Stockion v Morpeth, Whitehaven v Sunderland
ERNST AND YOUNG NORTH PREMIER LEAGUE: Alderley Edge v
Frooklands; Blackburn v Ben Rhydding,
Dailey v Liverpool Setton, Ramgarhe v
Norton; Shelfield v Bowdon, Swalwell v
Preston, Timperley v Durham University;
York v Highlown Northern.

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Beds Engles v Crostyx; Bishop's Storfford v Norwich City, Bishop's Storfford v Norwich City, Bluetaris v Bury Si Edmunds; Broxbourne v Ford; Pelicans v Harleston MegDes. Peterborough v Ipswich; WestClaff v West Herts; Wisbach v Colchester

SUN LIFE WEST LEAGUE: Premier division: Bath Bluces v Bristol; East Devon v Plymouth. Goucester v Clevadon. Herelord v Exeter University; Marborough v Exeter Crickets: Taunton v West Gloucester. Westbury Banks v Otter

SOUTH WALES LEAGUE: Premier di-vision: Abergavenny v British Steel; Cardiff v Penarth; Newport v Swanses, Whitchurch v Llenghen WOMEN'S CLUB MATCHES: Bedford v Cambridge, Bracknell v Slough; Bury St Edmunds v Harleston Magples; Crimeon Remblers v Bractiord, Catton v Eurouth, Ealing v Ipswitch, East Gloucester v Yate and South Gloucester, Havant v Trojans;

Leicester v Sherwood; Northampton v Blueharts: Otton v GEC Coventry, Poynton v Liverpool, Redlands v Reading, Sevenoaks v Wimbledon Sovenoars v Withbledon
WOMEN'S TERRITORIAL UNDER-16
and 18 CHAMPIONSHIPS (Stanley
Park)

BASKETBALL BASKETBALL

CARLSBERB NATIONAL LEAGUE
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Hernel Hernpstead Royals v Thames
valley Tigers (8.0). Kingston v Worthing
Bears Second division: Bury Lobos v
Middleaborough Mohawks, Covenity Fiyers v Ware, Doncaster Eagles v Greenwich, Plymouth Raiders v Brozbourne.
Thirid division: Calderdale Explorers v
Somdon Sonics (8 0). Chiltern Factbreas
v Sheffield, Mid Sussex Magic v Leicester
Falcoris, North London v Soleni Stars.
Sedgefield Raises v Cheshire Buils.
Women: First division (6 0). Hemel
Hempstead v Nottingham Wädcats,
Rhondda v London Jets Second division: Cambertey Golden Eagle v Cheshire
(4 45)

ICE HOCKEY ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN NATIONAL LEAGUE: Premer division: Ayr Raiders v Cardiff
Devits, Bidirigham Bombers v Durham
Wasps, Bracknell Bees v Nottingham
Panthers. Humberside Seahawks v
Murrayheid Raiders: Norwich and Peterborough Prates v Whitley Warros First
division: Fide Fivers v Besingstoke Beevers, Millon Keynes Kings v Lee Valley
Lions: Slough Jets v Romford Raiders
(5 45), Swindon Wildcats v Tellord Tigers.

ENGLISH LEAGUÉ: First division: Shel-field Steelers v Sofihull Barons, Solent Vilunga v Streatham Redskurs; Sunder-land Chiefa v Oxford City Stars VOLLEYBALL ROYAL BANK NATIONAL LEAGUE-Ment First division: Speedwell Rucanor v Aquala, Polonia Ealing v Newcastle (Statis) VC. Team Mitzuno Matory Coventry Riga: Rebook Liverpool City v Hillon Leeds, Wessea v Manchenter Utd

LACROSSE BRINE NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Ashton v Tamperley; Shelfield Steelers v Cheadle, Stockport v Heaton Mersey Second division: Cheadle A v Lerds University. Heaton Mersey A v Rochdele; Norbury v Boardman and Eccles, Morthorpe v Wilmstow; Poynton v Old Stophordians

BOWLS MANCHESTER UNITY LIBERTY TRO-PHY: Semi-finals: Kent v Hampshire (at Desborough, Mardenhead, 10 0); Devon v Cumbria (at Rushcktle, 2 0).

OTHER SPORT ATHLETICS: National index champion-ships (NIA, Birmingham); Women's nat-ional cross-country championships

SNOOKER: Regal Welsh Open (Newporl SWIMMING: Speedo Brilish grand prix meel (Cardiff). TENNIS: LTA men s indoor astellite lournament (Tellord)

Alner has

choice

rides at

POINT-TO-POINT By Brian Beel

A QUALITY entry, although

short on numbers, has been

received for the Coronation

Cup at the United Services

point-to-point meeting at

Last season, frost prevented

the event being run, but two

years ago a total of 60 went to

the post in three divisions,

contrasting with today's entry

affords Robert Alner a win-

Each of the two divisions

Elver Season has hunter

chase winner Celtic Leisure

and Chilhampton to account

for in the first, while Gun-ner's Flight, if he makes a

quick return after winning at

Plumpton on Monday, is

likely to prove too good for

Alner's tally could increase

later in the afternoon with Mr

Murdock and Spring Fun in the two confined races.

tops the South Pool Harriers

for attracting the biggest entry of today's six meetings.

Both has in excess of 200.

The lightly-raced Prospector's Way should be good enough for the second divi-

sion of the restricted at the

Welsh venue, while in Devon,

in the corresponding race, Nearly Splendid may be the

Straight Pilot ran on well

behind Roscoe Boy at the Old

Raby, and could go one better

The Vale of Clettwr just

Larkhill today.

of only 36.

ning chance.

Rushing Wild.

James makes cut and then quits Málaga masters

MARK James withdrew from the Turespaña Masters in Málaga yesterday — after surviving the halfway cut in 36th place. The Ryder Cup player, joint third in Dubai last Sunday, exercised his right to withdraw without giving a reason after shooting a 76 that dropped him from four behind the leader Mark, McLean, to eight behind.

James, a member of the tour's tournament committee, will not face disciplinary

Andy McFee, the tournament director, said: "He acted completely within our rules. A player has an obligation to complete any round he starts, but if he wishes to withdraw at the end of it, that's his business.

"I think it's a good rule. What we don't want to see is a player walking in off the course, à la Ronan Rafferty in the US Open. But if the rule is abused consistently, we will

James, who walked out of the Monte Carlo Open a few years ago, ran up a triple-bogey seven on the 417-yard fifth — his 14th — but also had four birdies on the small,

He became the second Ry-

der Cup man to pull out, Colin Montgomerie having done so complaining of flu after an opening 80. Steve Richardson is also on his way home. He could not recover from his first day 82, with two bogeys in his last four holes killing him off at eight-over-

But Seve Ballesteros improved nine strokes with his 69, and is seven adrift of McLean and one behind José Maria Olazábal, who wasted an outward 32 by coming home in 39.

McLean had an eagle three at the 489-yard 16th to thank for staying out in front. But after a 72 he admitted: "I didn't play that well and I've allowed the field to come closer to me. It's a hard weekend ahead."

The eagle — he smashed a four-wood to eight feet made up for bogeys on the 13th and 15th, where he missed the greens and failed to sink seven-foot return

Joint second, one stroke behind, are Daniel Silva (68), of Portugal, and Anders Forsbrand (70), of Sweden, with Gordon Brand Jr, Vijay Singh, of Fiji, and Gary Evans a shot further back.

Richard Boxall was delighted just to have survived the cut at three over following a seven-birdie 68. Boxall expected his comeback after breaking a leg in the Open last July to last just two rounds, and he called his achievement a "minor miracle".

SEAGRAM remained at 33-1 for an attempt to repeat his 1991 victory in the

Martell Grand National despite finishing a creditable fourth under 12 stone behind

Gambling Royal in the Kiss

'N' Cuddle Chase on Valen-

tine's day at Sandown

After losing his place with a

mistake at the downhill fence

past the stands, the New

Zealand-bred 12-year-old

was outpaced under his big

weight, but stayed on up the

Sandown, but Nigel Hawke said that he felt better and

stronger than at any time

since last season," said David Barons. "Ideally, we'd like to give him another race before

trying to win the Ritz Trophy

at Chehenham again. But it's

difficult to find a suitable

The Kingsbridge trainer

has already made it plain that

he considers Seagram to be

harshly treated with 11st 1lb

to carry at Aintree, but yester-day contented himself with

saying: "Of course we're going for the National again.

It's the race Sir Eric Parker

Seagram will be renewing

his rivalry at Cheltenham with Gambling Royal, the David Nicholson-trained

winner whom Richard

Dunwoody had driven up the

hill to beat Eastshaw by one-and-a-half lengths after ap-

Half-an-hour earlier, Dunwoody had initiated a

short-priced double when rid-

ing Current Express to a two-

FROM OUR IRISH RACING

CORRESPONDENT IN DUBLIN

MARTIN Pipe is delaying

flying over Carvill's Hill until

tomorrow morning for his

third Hennessy Cognac Gold

Cup Chase challenge at

Carvill's Hill has put up two

contrasting performances in

his previous runs in this

event, and the dilemma fac-

ing punters tomorrow will be

which Carvill's Hill will they

see — the brilliant horse who

romped home in 1989 or the

disappointing odds-on fa-

Taking up the running

soon after halfway three years

ago, Carvill's Hill had his task

simplified when there was a

Maid Of Money and Super

Richard Evans: 1.25 Sydmonton.

Brian Beel: 4.00 Bartres.

1.25 Counterbid. 1.55 Do Be Brief. 2.25 Manzoor

Sayadan. 2.55 Toby Tobias. 3.30 Alreef. 4.00 Bartres. 4.30 Arcot.

1.25 Hearts Are Wild. 1.55 DO BE BRIEF (nap). 2.25 Manzoor Sayadan. 2.55 Toby Tobias. 3.30 Rusty Roc. 4.00 Bartres. 4.30 Arcot.

1.25 SLOUGH NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES

9-4 Sydmonton, 11-4 Counterbid, 7-2 Hearts Are Wild, 6-7 Ber-desen, 8-1 Fair Brother, 10-7 Eric's Train, 12-1 Sendeig, 14-1 others

1.55 MAGNA CARTA NOVICES CHASE

7-4 Manzoor Sayadan, 2-1 Absent Retative, 9-4 May Square, 10-1 Rayado, 50-1 Hard To Sub

2.55 FAIRLAWNE CHASE (£5,150: 3m) (4)

401 0943 GNOFAR 14 (B,D,F,G,S) D Elsworth 9-11-12 8 Powell 402 -241 TOBY TOBIAS 37 (D,F,G,S) Mrs J Plenan 10-11-12 M Plenan

M Pithan 403 FS51 ESPY 14 (CD,F,G,S) C Brooks 9-11-8.... G Bradley 404 6364 MOE GREENE 17 (D,F,G,S) J McConnochia 12-11-4

2.25 HATCH BRIDGE HURDLE

(4-Y-O: £2.040: 2m 30yd) (5)

(£2,185: 2m 5f) (14)

HURDLE (£1,235: 2m 30yd) (15 runners)

101 1661 COUNTERBID 10 (D.F.G) J Edwards 5-11-10

MANDARIN

THUNDERER

vourite of 12 months later.

Leopardstown.

length defeat of Copper Mine schooling by Richard to get

and I want to win.

"He's never really liked

hill to be beaten 17 lengths.

yesterday.

He added: "There's not a fairway I walk down without thinking about my leg, and I think it will take me two months to get the injury out of my mind.

'Anything I do this weekend will be a bonus. Just being able to walk and play is

LEADING SECOND-ROUND SCORES (GB and Ireland unless etarted): 140: M McLeen, 68, 72. 141: D Salve (Port, 73, 64: D Forsbrand (Swe), 71, 70. 142: V Singh (Fill) 72, 70: G Evans, 73, 68: G Brand Jnr, 73, 68: 143: L Thirter (Aus), 72, 71: M Roe, 78, 67. 144: O Nordberg (Swe), 74, 70: G Turner, 72, 72; C O'Comnor Jr, 72, 72; D Gifford, 73, 71: M Heilberg (Swe), 72, 72: D Gifford, 73,

 McHerry TT, 89. 147: S Grappessom
 76. 7; J M Coffigures (So), 75, 72: R
 Bonall, 78, 68; J Rozsellis (Sp), 77, 70; A
 Sherborre, 78, 69; S Ballesteros (So), 78
 SP Broadhurst, 75, 72, J Robinson, 77, 70, J
 Robinson, 75, 72 Robinson, 75, 72.
148: R Cleydon 76, 72; P Teravelnen (US 75, 73; G Usy (US), 77, 71; D Cooper, 77, 72: M Ferry (Fr), 73, 75; R González (Ag 77, 71; D Russell, 74, 74; F Navarro (Sp 77, 71; D Lussel, 76), 78, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 71; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 77; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 77; T Levet (Fr), 76, 72; S Luna (Sp), 77, 77; T Levet (Fr), 76, 76; T Levet (Fr), 76, 77; T Levet (Fr), 77; T Levet (Fr), 76, 77; T Levet (Fr), 76, 77; T Levet (Fr), 77; T Leve

pearing to be in difficulty at the final jump. Gambling Royal has now won all his five races this season. "He's won six of nine starts," said the trainer. "He's a tough and honest sort."

Grand National winner finishes a creditable fourth on return at Sandown

Seagram eyes Aintree again

The progressive Gambling Royal, left, gains his fifth consecutive success with a thrilling victory over Eastshaw at Sandown yesterday

him jumping properly. I'm run yesterday's 5-2 winner in sure he'll be at Cheltenham the Mildmay of Flete Handiin the EBF Sweetheart National Hunt Novices' Hurdle. Making his first appearance over hurdles for Nicky Henderson, the Lord Matthews bred and owned five-

from 9-2 to 7-2 before foiling a gamble on the favourite, who was supported from 9-4 to 15-8 including a single wager of £10,000 at 9-4.
"He's a lovely horse," said the trainer. "The reason why he hasn't been out before is that it's taken a lot of patient

year-old was backed down

for years to come, but I hope we can resist the temptation to run him this time." As usual, Sandown's dramatic amphitheatre pro-

duced its share of exciting finishes. In the Hearthrob Handicap Chase, three of the five runners were still in with chance before Martin Lynch drove Elfast past the post a length in front of Al Hashimi with Howe Street finishing a neck away third. John Webber intends to

cap at the National Hunt Festival, where the trainer will also be represented by last year's Grand National third, Auntie Dot, in the Riz Club Trophy.

Josh Gifford's successful season with his novices con-tinued when Declan Murphy forced Buck Willow past the post a neck in front of Danny Harrold, the 13-8 on favourite for the L'Amour Novices'

There is a parallel now in

that he comes to Leopards-

town with an outstanding

handicap success in the

major surprise if he does not

continue his unbeaten run for

the Martin Pipe-Peter

Jimmy Fitzgerald sends

over Gold Options. He ran a

commendable second behind

Twin Oaks at Haydock Park last month, but will be meet-

ing the favourite on a hefty

27lb worse terms than in the

The other British challeng-

er, Zeta's Son, trained by

John Upson, looks out-

time out captured the Harold

Clarke Memorial Leopards-

town Chase under 12 stone.

Martell Grand National.

Scudamore combination.

But, even so, it will be a

Welsh National.

in the confined at the Badsworth. Singing Seal and Convincing look to have the best prospects in the two PPOA races. In the open at the Lanarkshire & Renfrewshire, Jimmy River has a favourite's

one to shine

chance while, with better luck, Thirty All, hampered at the Jedforest, should win the Rubies Choice won six races last term, but none was

an open. He is, therefore, well suited by the conditions of the intermediate race at the Suffolk, but Fine Lace will be difficult to beat. TODAY'S MEETINGS: Wetherby, inside National

Wetherby, Inside National Hunt course (first race, noon): Lansrickshire & Renfrewahire, Bogelde, 1 mile north of Irvine (1.30); South Pool Harmiers, Bishops Court, Ottery St. Mary (11.30); Suffolk, Ampton, 4m N of Bury St. Edmunde (12.30); United Services, Larkhill, 5m NW of Amesbury (12.30); Vals Of Clethur, Erw Lon, 10m N of Carmerthan (noon).

Racing next week

MONDAY: Fontwell Park, Wolver-hampton, Southwell (AW), TUES-DAY: Huntingdon, Sodgefield, Lingfield Park (AW), WEDNES-

Daly leaves empty-handed

FROM MITCHELL PLATTS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT, IN MELBOURNE

JOHN Daly, the long-hitting US PGA champion, made a premature departure from the Australian Masters here

Having added an 81 to his first round of 77, Daly missed the cut by a handsome margin, but that was not all. He also failed to sign his card, and was disqualified. It is the second time in

under two months that Daly made such an immature error. He was disqualified from the world championship in Jamaica in December for signing for one shot fewer than he took.

His disqualification here means that he will not be eligible for a special prize for the longest drive at the 14th. which is a gold golf ball valued at Aus\$15,000.

"It's embarrassing really to haven't played a good overseas tournament, and it's starting to get to me. I want to play well when I'm in another country, although if it's not going to happen then it doesn't make sense to travel. It's starting to wear me out.

I'm very frustrated." Daly's presence in Australia has attracted much attention. The spectators who followed him here on the Huntingdale course were mesmerized by his power especially with the driver. He had four birdies in succession from the 7th, but he gave back the shots just as quickly as he had gathered

Daly, holding his hands in the air, pleads that he is "just a good old country boy from Dardanelle, Arkansas". The trouble with that is that Arnold Palmer, with whom all America appears to be comparing him, was a good old country boy from Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

Greg Norman, another good old country boy whose reputation, like Palmer's, is beyond reproach, has rehis golf game back in order. Norman, without a win for

done for a long time. I'm working harder now than I have for 18 months and the thing is you can't go out and perform well if you don't work hard. I have pride and I want to be back to where I was."

He had time to express regret at Daly's problems: "My advice to him would be to pull the reins back a little bit. I like the guy."

Norman entered the third round with a three-shot lead over Roger Mackay, who scored 73. David Feherty had three birdies in a flawless round of 70 with which he survived the halfway cut on

LEADING SECOND-ROUND SCORES (Australia unless statisd): 138; G Norman, 69, 70, 142; R Mackay, 69,73, 144; M Colandro (LS), 75, 69; B King, 71, 73, 145; G Hartstectt (Swe), 70, 75; G Beros (US), 71, 74; P Moloney, 74, 71, 148; J Morse (US), 73, 73; R Davis, 74, 72; R Swanson, 74, 72, 147; B Jonda, 75, 72; N Kerry, 77, 70, Smith, 73, 75; CPurry, 72, 78; D Armstrong, 73, 75; C Warren, 72, 76; G Merrick, 72, 78; S Appleby, 77, 71; W Piley 75, 73.

Norman, without a win for 20 months, claimed the outright halfway lead with a round of 70 for a total of 139.
"I'm looking forward to the weekend which I haven't SApplety, 77, 71; W Riley 75, 72.

**Applety, 77, 71; W Riley 75, 73.

148: D Februty (68), 72, 72; GN Riley 75, 74; C Riley, 75, 75; C Riley, 75, 74; C Riley, 75, 75; C Riley, 75, 74; C Riley, 75, 75; massive pile-up five fences out, involving Charter Party,

Carvill's Hill can fly home in style Furrow, but Carvill's Hill jumped the remainder of the fences in immaculate fashion to win by 15 lengths from

Weather The Storm. In the run-up to the 1990 race, he looked to be every bit as good, having carried top weight of 12st 2lb to a sixlength victory in the Harold

GOING: SOFT

Clarke Memorial Leopardstown Chase over this course and distance.

However, in what was one of the most disappointing performances of his career, Carvill's Hill made several jumping errors before capitulating tamely behind Nick The Brief.

3.40 HENNESSY COGNAC GOLD CUP CHASE (Grade I: Ir£43,125: 3m) (11 ronners)

Cracle 1: Int. 4-5, 1.53: 5(f) (1 | TURNets)

1 | 12/15-11 | CARVILL'S HILL 57 (CD,Q.S) (P Green) M Pipe (98) 10-12-0. P Scudemore

2 | 516L22 | FINAL TUB'S (D,Q.S) (8 O'Brien) V TO'Brien 9-12-0. K Morgan

3 | 5415L1 | FIFICINS LAW 5 (C.S.S) (Mrs. M Quira) V Bowere 7-12-0. M Flyren

4 | 322/12 | GARAMYCN 15 (CD,Q.S) (P Geneticy) Jimmy Respect (98) 10-12-0. M Dayer

5 | 29222 | GOLD OFTIONS 28 (F.G.S) (J McCapty) Jimmy Respect (98) 10-12-0. M Dayer

6 | (25) | FIFE A BAFRIEY 45 (CD,F.Q.S) (P Doyle) A Motre 11-12-0. Turnets

7 | 33-852 | LAIRANS BEAU 29 (CBF.Q.S) (J McMartan) F Beay 8-12-0. C O'Dayer

8 | (20022) | CRESS 24 (C.G.S) (E Keerrs) E Keerre 6-12-0. M E Exteems for

9 | USI'S HIP REYER TARDUM 51 (D.S.S) (M Dorovent) T Which 9-12-0. C G Swent

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11 | S2122 | ZETA'S LAD 9 (D.F.G.S) (Prio D Upport) J Upport (98) 9-12-0. M Supple

12 | Captille Mill 6-1 (Garmento S) 15 | Conditions 12-1 Enteres Inc. 2011 Enteres Inc.

2-5 Carvill's HE, 8-1 Garamyon, 8-1 Gold Options, 12-1 Finions Law, 20-1 Final Tub, Heve A Barney, 25-1 Zeta's Lad, River Tarquin, 33-1 others.

3.30 RUNNYMEDE HANDICAP HURDLE

Mr R Davis (7) 503 G-64 SOUND OF ISLAY 39 (D,G) T Forster 7-11-7

510 1-0P GOOD FOR THE ROSES 9 (D,S) C Cox 8-10-0

(Amateurs: £1,392; 2m 5f) (12)

4.30 HENLEY NATIONAL HUNT FLAT

RACE (£1.383: 1m 4f) (16)

1 BALLY CLOVER N Henderson 5-11-9 J Keveragh
2 BARN ELMS 5 Meter 5-11-9 J Ryer (5)
3 COULDN'T BE BETTER C Brooks 5-11-9 COULDNT BE BETTER C Brooks 5-11-9

LOVERS DOWN R POCOCK 6-11-9

B CRITTOR (6)
MAJOR BUSH M Pipe 5-11-9

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L Reynolds (7)

RUSTIC FLIGHT R Eckley 5-11-9

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MY G KÜle (7)

ROSE OF GOLDEN R Champion 6-11-4

C Triggman (7)

KINGSLEY SINGER R Balley 4-11-0

J Bridgwatter (3)

NEEDWOOD MATIVE B Morgan 4-11-0

D Bronte (7)

THE GLOW D Elsworth 4-11-0

A Procest (7)

T-2 The Glow, 5-1 Meior Bush, 6-1 Belly Cover, 8-1

COURSE SPECIALISTS

JOCKEYS: M Pitman, 7 winners from 24 rides, 29.2%; N Williamson, 3 from 14, 21.4%; M Richards, 9 from 62, 14.5%; L Harvey, 4 from 28, 14.3%; G Moore, 9 from 85, 10 6%; Dale McKeown, 3 from 33, 8.1%.

Forest Sun are among the entries for the Regency Hurdle, feature race on Warwick's most valuable card of the season on Wednesday.

Sandown Park Going: good (good to firm in pis

Going: good (good to firm in places)
2.00 (2m hdie) 1, AL MUTAHM (C Llewelhn, 2-1 mir); 2. Stanligack (P Holley, 11-2);
3. Absalom's Lady (J Frost, 4-1). ALSO
RAN: 11-2 Arabian Bold (6th), Walasahan
(4th), 8 Chatham Island, 16 Nomax Lad
(5th), 7 ran. 4, nt. 20, 20, 77. J Old at
Whoughton. Tote: 22-90; 22-00, 22-70. DF:
25.50. CSF: £12-82.
2.30 (2m 18yd ch) 1, ELF-AST (M Lynch,
52); 2. Al Hashimi (R Dunwoody, 2-1 lav);
3. Howe Street (J Murphy, 4-1). ALSO
RAN: 7-2 Weish Bard (4th), 20 Partischnion (5th), 5 ran. 1, nk. 234, 121, 3
Weibber at Banbury. Tole: £3, 10; £1,60,
£1.60. DF: £2-90. GSF: £7.34.
3.06 (2m 44 68yd ch) 1, BUCK WILLOW

21.60. DF: \$2.90. CSF: 27.34.
3.05 (2m 46 8byd ch) 1, SUCK WILLOW (D Murphy, 13-8); 2, Danny Harrold (M Pitmen, 8-13 fav); 3, Nithalion Castie (Liewellyn, 18-1), ALSO RAN: 100 Mount Eaton Fox (4th), 4 ran, Nk, dist, dist, J Gifford at Findon, Tote: 22.30. DF: 21.50. CSF: 22.82.

CSF- 22.82
3.55 (2m India) 1, CUPRIENT EXPRESS
(R Durwoody, 7-2; 2, Copper Milne (J
Caborne, 15-8 tsy); 3, Raffiel (S Bradley,
5-2), ALSO RAN: 10 Buck Oweins, Not So
Soon (8th), 16 Durrington (5th), 25 Off
Pette (4th), 33 Around The Horn, 50 Milster
Mistral, 95 Heather Lane. 10 ran. 2, 12,
214, 12; Ind. R Henderson at Lambourn.
Totac 24.50; 21.90, 21.50, 21.20. DF:
24.40, CSF: 210.25.

24.40. CSF: 210.25.
4.05 (3m 118yd ch) 1. GAMBLING ROYAL (FI Dumecody, 6-4 tav); 2. East-shaw (C Liewellyn, 4-1); 3. Farmies Boy (F Guest, 7-2). ALSO FAN: 5 Whets The Crack (6th), 14 Sesgram (4th), 25 Gless Mountain (5th), 5 ran. 11/4, 15; sh hd, 3, 2/4L D Micholson at Stow-on-the-Wold. Totec 22.20; c1.30, 22.50. DF: £5.10. CSF: £7.23.

1723,
4.40 (2m 51 75yd hdie) 1, CRYSTAL
HEIGHTS (R Greens, 11-4); 2, Mariin
Dancer (J Halis, 4-1); 3, Red Ring (A
Maguire, 13-8 fav), ALSO RAN: 5 Chesmarefia (5th), 14 Persian Style, 25
Richard's Hei (pu), 66 Slave King (4th),
Silver Ancone (pu), Friendly Henry (6th), 8
ran. 30, 5, 12, 4, dat. Mrs J Retter at
Exeter. Tota: 23.40; 21.20, 21.20, 21.40,
DF: 27.30, CSP: 213.48, Tricest; 219.94,

Jackpot 28,157,80. Placepot: £16,20.

Fakenham Going: good to soft

Going: good to soft 2.10 (2m 80yd hole) 1, The Hidden City (D Bridgwater, 3-1); 2, Top it Ali (9-4 tw/); 3, Le Pernet (8-1), 9 ren. 4l, nk. C Trietline. Totes: 24-20: 21.50, 21.40, 22.40, DF: 24.20, CSF. 210.58. Tricast: 248.53. 2.40 (3m) 1, Deadline (8 Catiord, 3-1); 2, Ebony Swell (10-11 tay); 3. The Argonaut (3-1); 6 ran. 3, 10, J Leigh, Tote: 23.90; 51.20, 51.80, DF: 22.30, CSF: 68.18. 3, 16.29, 80yd, hole) 1, Stawardon (J. 3.16.29, 80yd, hole) 1, Stawardon (J. 3.16.29). \$1.20, \$1.80. DF: \$2.30. CSF: \$6.18.
3.15 (2m 80yd hdie) 1, Steveadon (J. Twoney, 9-4); 2, Martha's \$cn (2-1 tay); 3, Peacemen (4-1). 5 run. 10l, 31/al. N. Casiaghan. Tota: £3.80; £1.90, £1.70. DF: \$4.00, CSF: £7.31.
3.45 (3m ch) 1, Singlesole (A Carroll, 6-1); 2, Greyeby (12-1); 3, Foxy Boy (12-1). Direct 4-1 fev. 7 run. Dist, dist. Mrs P Sty. Tota: £6.60; £1.90, £2.50. DF: £36.60. CSF: £61.91.

CSF: 261.91.
4.15 (2m Sf 110yd ch) 1. Roscos Boy (4xs.) Dewson, 2-1 fav); 2. King Neon (5-1); 3. Goe-A (6-1), 11 ran. 1 fb), 25), C Dewson, 70te: £3.90; £1.70, £1.80, £2.30. DF: £7.30, CSF: £3.06.

DF: 27.30. GSP: 19.08.
4.45 (2m BOyd hole) 1. Spanish Whisper (J Twomay, 9-4 fav); 2. Alocalii (5-1); 3. In-Keeping (12-1). 7 ran. NR Lawnswood Junior. Nk, 294. J Bostock. Tote: 23.30; 21.30, 23.80, DF £10.10. CSP: £13.84, Tricast: £103.02.
Placaport: £55.10.

classed. So, second place may go to Garamycin, who last

DAT: Warwick, Folkestone, South-well (AW). THURSDAY: Win-canton, Catterick Bridge, Lingfield Park (AW). FRIDAY: Kempton Park, Kelso, Southwell (AW). SAT-URDAY: Kempton Park, Doncaster, Stratford, Edinburgh, Lingfield Park (AW).

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ATHLETICS

Livingston exploits Christie's absence

By DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

knows that better than Linford Christie. While Christie has been training in Australia, Jason Livingston has been on the trail of his cheese. The first nibble came last weekend when Livingston took a share of the British 60 metres indoor record which had belonged exclusively to Christie, Britain's outstanding sprinter of the last six years. And tomorrow Livingston, aged 20, should succeed

Christie as AAA indoor champion over that distance. Livingston's form this season has been consistently impressive and, with Christie absent, he assumes the role of favourite. It is saying something that, even with Darren Braithwaite, Michael Rosswess, Jason John, a resurgent Marcus Adam and the American, Jon Drummond, scheduled to appear, still there seems nobody in the

field to touch him. His victory in 6.51 sec in Glasgow last weekend, only 0.06sec slower than Andre Cason's world record, has given him a share of the European record, held by Christie, Vitaly Savin and Marian Woronin, and an all-time world ranking of equal

fourth. It is only natural that tomorrow's crowd will urge Livingston to go faster but he said yesterday: "I cannot try to run a personal best every time because it will kill me mentally. I just want to go out and win convincingly." He has drawn inspiration

from Cason who, like himself,

lacks the height of a Christie

WHILE the cat's away, the or Carl Lewis. "If he can do it, mice will play and nobody I can as well," Livingston, only 5ft 6in. said. Cason's best for 100 metres is 9.9sec and the thrill of the Shaftesbury Barnet athlete's improvement indoors is that he can see himself reducing his best 100 metres time, of 10.5, during this coming Olympic

summer. He has shown already his temperament for the big occasion, winning a world junior 100 metres silver medal in 1990, and reaching the senior European indoor 60 metres final that year. But now he will be expected to fare better when the European championships are staged in Genoa a fortnight hence.

"I am faced with the prospect of going in as joint fa-vourite with Savin but the way I feel, mentally and physically, I could win it." The two-day Minet sponsored championships at the Birmingham national arena

they begin today - also feature an in-form Colin Jackson in the 60 metres hurdles.



Livingston: improving

(£2,215: 2m 30yd) (12)

501 P-51 ALREEF 9 (D.S.) T Thomson Jones 6-12-0, G Rowe (7) 502 5123 RUSTY ROC 30 (D.F.G.S.) M Davies 11-11-11

511 F14- JALINGO 257 (D.S) F Matrin 5-10-0 B Cafford (5) 512 P001 SAN FRANCISCO JOE 10 (V.D) A Denson 8-10-0 L Hiervey

4.00 THAMES VALLEY HUNTER CHASE

(Amateurs: £1,392: 2m 5f) (12)
601 21-1 PASTORAL PRIDE 11 (G,S) Miss P Curring 8-12-7
602 15-U ROYAL GREEK 6 (F,G,S) P Monts 10-12-7 P Monts (7)
603 (3-1 BARTRES 9 (C,D.F.G,S) D Murray Smith 13-12-0
604 FF3 BOB TISDALL 344 (G,S) N Gassies 13-12-0
605 F- DREAM KNIGHT 283 N Lampash 9-12-0 H Rowald (7)
605 PURF GLEN GEORGE 112 (D,F,G,S) N Gassies 12-12-0
607 PURF GLEN GEORGE 112 (D,F,G,S) N Gassies 12-12-0
608 POP PADDY'S LAD 1752 T Woolridge 10-12-0
609 (21 PERROQUET 320 (D,G,S) Mrs G Vergetts 12-12-0
610 620 RAISE AN ARGUMENT 301 (G,S) idts J Docker

608 /21- PERHOUSE MARS HAVE AN ARGUMENT 301 (G.S) Mas J Docker 13-12-0T Byrne (7) 611 F5/ TINFO HILL 700 Mrs S Lightbrown 9-12-0 T Byrne (7) 612 /0U- WHEEL TAPPER 333 (5) H Humby 8-12-0 C Farrell (7) 94 Bob Tisdell, 3-1 Bartres. 4-1 Pastoral Pride, 5-1 Perroquet 6-1 Raise An Argument, 8-1 Royal Greek, 12-1 others.

TRAINERS: K Bailey, 3 winners from 10 numers, 30,0%: O Sherwood, 9 from 31, 29,0%; N Henderson, 9 from 32, 29,1%: Mr. J Pittern, 10 from 42, 22,7%; J Bowards, 6 from 27, 22,2%; R Akehuret, 6 from 41, 19,5%.

☐ Cab On Target, Winnie The Witch and

Edinburgh Going: good 130m; good 1.45 (2m 4f hdls) 1. Postage Stamp (J McLsuphin, 10-1); 2. Gymcrak Stardom (11-8 fev); 3. Noddle (5-2), 10 ran. 14, 13, Pearoe. 74s: 27.30; 12.30, 12.30, 13.30 OP: 53-90. CSF: 521.53, Tricast: 528.56.

OF: 23-90. C31: 221.05. [Incast: 230.06. 2.15 (2m ch) 1, Gray Minstrad (C Grant, 9-4 fav); 2, Dickie's Gin (7-1); 3, Silver Helio (7-2). 14 ran. NR: Young Fool. 3½4, 12. Danys Smith. Tots; 22.50; 22.20. 52.10, 22.00. DF: £10.00. CSF: £15.78. 2.45 (2m hdle) 1, Good Profile (M Dwyer, 1-10 fav); 2, Top-Anna (15-2); 3, Chlef Raider (100-1); 4 ran. 41, 101. G Moore. Tota: \$1.20. DF: \$1.70. CSF: \$1.84. 3.20 (3m ch) 1, Cornet (C Grant, 3-1); 2, Fiver House (4-1); 3, Ida's Designt (11-4 fav), 6 ran. 4l, 191, Denys Smith. Tota: 53,70; 52,80, 51,40, DF; 52,40, CSF; 513,12.

E13.12.
3.50 (3m holie) 1, Sprowaton Boy (6 McCourt, 5-1); 2, Scottlein Gold (4-1); 3, Statled Case (17-2), Monaru 7-2 hav. 10 rar. 12, Nd. Miss. 1, Ferratt. Tote: £8.30; £1.80, £2.10, £2.20, DF: £19.80, CSF: £27.12 Tricast: £181.57, 4.20 (3m ch) 1, Paddy Hayton (Mr R Shids, 7-4); 2, Deep Spertacus (10-1); 3, Patrashatm (Event fav), 8 ran. 71, 191, 5 Leadbetter. Tote: 53,10; 21,60, 23,00, 21,10. DF: £8,40. CSF: 217,24.

4.50 (2m fist) 1, Free Native (R Hodge, 13-2); 2, Manor Ranger (7-1); 3, Gasev (7-1). Magenta Boy 5-2 fev. 15 ran. 12, 2, Mrs G Raneley, Tole: 58,80; 52.40, 52.50, 52.40. DF: £80.20. CSF: £48.65. Placepot: 27,70.

Southwell

Goting: standard: 1.50 (Im 6f) 1. Aude La Belle (D Biggs, 12-1); 2. Unipaid Member (16-1); 3. Strining Wood (20-1). Bridge Player 4-1 fav, 15 run. NR: Bedouin Prince, 2. 1 Mr. Mrs A Knight. Tote: 28.00; 22.20; 24.50; 54.40. DF: 289.20. CSF; £177.37, Tricast; £2.443.57. 2.20 (1m 4f) 1, Lara's Baby (R Cochrane. 45 fav); 2, Le Temerake (10-1); 3, Kirby Opportunity (9-4). 11 ran. NR: Little Miss Polly. 3/bi, 2L R Akeburet. Tote: £1.60; £1.20, £1.90, £1.20. DF: £6.40. CSF: £9.31.

2.50 (6f) 1. Toehiba Comet (D Nicholis, 11-2; 2, Friendly Claim (10-1; 3, Mosey Rose (10-1). Saladan Knight 5-4 tav. 9 ran. Hd, Hd, W Pastra. Tote: £7.20; £1.50, £1.70, £2.30. DF; £14.60. CSF; £49.53. Tricast: £488.52.

3.25 (1m) 1, Med Militant (W Ryen, 5-1); 2, Meltonby (3-1); 3, Early Star (2-1 feV), 5 ren. 41, 12). R Hollinshead. Tote: £5.10; 22.40, £2.10. DF: £8.60. CSF: £16.41; 3.55 (1m) 1, Buddy's Friend (14 Hilts, 7-2); 2. Filviera Rambow (6-1); 3, Amphigory (11-10 fev), 10 ran, 1½1, nk, R Williams, Tote: 55-40, 21.30, 21.60, 21.20. DF: 24.30. CSF: 222.21.

4.25 (7f) 1, Kisasvos (T Rogers, 8-1); 2, Pesidanamich (8-1); 3, Quinzil-Martin (8-1), Foolish Touch 4-1 fav. 14 ran. 14., 11. C C Basy, Tote: \$10.80, \$2.20, \$2.20, \$2.70, DF: \$21.90, CSF, \$280.52, Tripast; \$384.62.

☐ Brian Storey plans to ride at two meetings today for the second successive Saturday. Storey rides Clay County at Nottingham before catching a helicopter to partner Moment Of Truth at Newcastie.

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RELAY FEBRUARY BY

Cool Ground to claim **Eider for Balding**

IF ANY trainer knows what it takes to win the Tote Eider. Handicap Chase at Newcastle, it is surely Toby Balding, who won this marathon three years out of four in the. Sixties with Highland Wedding before striking again. after an interval of 15 years. with Lucky Vane.

This time he relies on Cool Ground, who has top weight following that victory in the John Hughes Grand National Trial at Chepstow a fortnight ago.

Since the two stable com-panions Killone Abbey and Stay On Tracks are the only other runners who will be carrying their correct handicap weight. Cool Ground would appear to have an excellent chance of taking the prize back to Dorset in the care of Jimmy Frost, and he is

It was at this stage of last season that Cool Ground impressed Frost with his high cruising speed when winning the Jim Ford Challenge Cup

Harness that speed to the stamina that he showed when winning the Welsh National and the Anthony Mildmay, fourth behind Trapper John, Peter Cazalet Memorial Burgoyne, and Upton Park.

THUNDERER

GOING: GOOD

1.45 Tanfirion Bay. 2.15 Cheerful Times. 2.45 Deep Sensation. 3.15 The Red One. 3.45 Santaray. 4.15

1.45 Tanfirion Bay. 2.15 Royal Gait. 2.45 Clay

County, 3.15 The Red One. 3.45 Native Magic. 4.15 Captain Frisk.

1.45 EVERY CHANCE AT THE LAST

2.15 NARBOL CITY TRIAL HURDLE

(Limited handicap: £5,433: 2m) (9)

CLAIMING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,604: 2m) (6

1 150U ENFANT DU PARADIS 15F (D.G) P Evens 4-11-10

imited handicap: £5,433: 2m) (b)
1 25 ROYAL STANDARD 35 (V) C Brooks 5-12-0 R Bellemy
2 2/2- GREEN WILLOW 385 (0,F,8,8) J Gifford 10-11-10
D Murphy
M Hill
M Hill

FI Gent 6'0112 CHEERFUL TIMES 22F (D.6,S) B McMahon 9-10-6 G Robertson (7)
7 5102 L'UOMO PIU 17 (D.F.G) A Barrow 8-10-7 ... W Invine

Dwyer can land a double: MICHAEL PHILLIPS Chase last season, and he should be capable of giving 21lb to Stay On Tracks, who

has won on the course six times. I do not subscribe to the view that Cool Ground would not have won last time had Shoon Wind not fallen at the second-last fence, although it would have been close. As it was, Cool Ground beat Just So by seven lengths with

Honeybeer Mead close be-

hind in third. He meets them now on the same terms. Gale Again who benefited from Carbisdale's fall to win the Dipper Novices' Chase five weeks ago, is taken to give a repeat performance in the Newcastle Building Society Nova Plus Novices Chase run over the same distance. As far as the Newcastle Building Society Handicap Hurdle is concerned, it could

pay to side with the Mark

Dwyer-ridden Yorkshire

Holly, who ran well at

Haydock last time to finish

fourth behind Trapper John,

by also winning the Newcastle Brown Ale Top Of The North Novices Hurdle Qualifier on Trainglot, a good stayer on the Flat who was going every bit as well as the winner at Haydock last time when he tripped over the second last hurdle. At Chepstow, Martin Pipe

and Peter Scudamore have a sound chance of phindering the two most valuable prizes with Woodurather (1.10) and Run For Free (1.40). Being by the St Leger win-ner Touching Wood, Wood-

urather ought to cope with the distance of the Persian War Premier Novices' Hurdle, while Run For Free was a much better hurdler than his tour opponents in the Rising Stars Chase.
At Nottingham, Deep Sen-

sation, who has been entered for the Arkle Trophy at Cheltenham, is taken to get the better of the other Arkle entries in the Nottinghamshire Novices' Chase, while the Narbol City Trial Hurdle can go to Cheerful Times, who looked unlucky not to beat the subsequent Tote Gold Trophy winner, Rodeo Star, at Ascot last time

3.15 BBC RADIO NOTTINGHAM NOVICES HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: £1,194: 2m 6f) (11)

3.45 HUCKNALL NOVICES HURDLE (£1,816: 2m) (16)

11-4 Sentaray, 4-1 Kaytak, 9-2 Knight's Spur, 6-1 Shaffic, 7-1 Native Magic, 8-1 Master Joison, 10-1 Cool Run, 14-1 others.

4.15 MAPPERLEY HANDICAP CHASE

1 P30P BUCKSHEE BOY 7 (D.G.S) J Pilkington 10-11-10 R Guest
2 5413 SKINNHILL 17 (D.B.F.G.S) T Thornson Jones 8-11-6
D Murphy
3 141P SALAMANDER JOE 49 (D.F.G) D Nicholano 7-10-10
R Bellumy

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: C Brooks, 3 winners from 12 runners, 25.0%; D Nicholson, 8 from 38, 21.1%; N Tinider, 8 from 40, 20.0%; K Bailey, 5 from 26, 19.2%; R Dickin, 6 from 43, 14.0%; J Meckle, 3 from 23, 13.0%;

4 2/3 CAPTAIN FRISK 29 K Belley B-10-6. Mr M Armytage 5 1-F0 WINABUCK 10 (D.F.G.S) R Dickin 9-10-8. H Devices 6 2115 MR BOSTON 28 (C.BF.F.G.S) R Woodhouse 7-10-2 7 P1FP FOCUS ON FOSTER 44 (CD.B.F) J Webber 10-100 A Webb 9 -520 EMERALD GEM 9 (S) O Brannan 6-10-7 M Brannan 1 Royal Galt. 7-2 Strut Et. 0-3 Royal Galt. 7-3 Strut Et. 0-3 Royal Galt. 9-4 Royal Gelt, 7-2 Shu Fly, 9-2 Bank View, 6-1 Cheerful Times, 10-1 Royal Standard, L'Uomo Plu, 12-1 others. 9-4 Skinnhill, 3-1 Captain Frisk, 4-1 Salemender Joe, 6-1 Mr Boston, 8-1 Buckshee Boy, 12-1 others.

2.45 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE NOVICES CHASE (Grade II: £7,70: 2m) (5)

1 1111 CLAY COLNTY 49 (D.F.G.S) R Alten 7-11-12 B Storey
2 1812 DEEP SENSATION 14 (D.BF.F.G.S) J Gifford 7-11-12
3 0311 PEANUTS PET 28 (D.F.G.S) B McMahon 7-11-9 T Wall
4 5336 HICKELTON LAD 42 (P.G) D Williams 9-11-5
5 J O'Nesi
5 -143 HOLTERMANN 9 (D.F.) N/S L Cay 8-11-5 G McCourt 13-8 Clay County, 2-1 Deep Sensation, 7-2 Peanuts Pet, 10-1 Holtermann, 16-1 Hickelton Lad.

JOCKEYS: Mr J Greenall, 3 winners from 11 rides, 27.3%; G McCourt, 17 from 70, 24.3%; Richard Guest, 3 from 13, 25.1%; H Devies, 6 from 30, 20.0%; R Gentity, 3 from 17, 17.6%; D J Murphy. 4 from 27, 14.8%. 2 044 ARMY OF STARS 50J (D.F.G.S) C British 7-9-6 B Doyle (5) 2 3 1321 MODESTO 11 (CD.G.S) K Cunningham-Brown 4-7-13 D Biggs (3) 3 4 0-24 MERSEYSIDE MAN.11 (V.C.F) J Scargil 6-7-7 J Farming (3) 4

MANDARIN 1.20 Awesome Power. 1.50 Honey Vision. 2.20 Rapporteur. 2.50 Rosa Why. 3.20 Up The Punjab. 3.50 Sir Tasker. THUNDERER

1.20 Absolutely Right. 1.50 Honey Vision. 2.20 Rapporteur. 2.50 Rosa Why. 3.20 Up The Punjab. 3.50 Rushanes. GOING: STANDARD

DRAW: 5M-1M, LOW TO MIDDLE NUMBERS BEST

1.20 LOVELY MAUREEN TAYLOR CLAIMING STAKES (£2,304: 1m 2i) (13 runners)

1 0-0 RED BOMBER 7 K Cunningham-Brown 4-8-13 1 0-0 RED BOMBLET (N. CHININGTON W. Newmes 3 2 530- APPLIANCEOFSCIENCE 12J (B.D.G) A Raid 5-8-9 K. Rutter (7) 7 3 6-22 AWESOME POWER 15 (S) C Nelson 6-8-7

9 -004 CHARMING GIFT 14 (F) R Williams 58-2 G Mitchell (7) 4

1.50 TIM DARLING DIANA MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,284; 6f) (9)

040 CELITO 8 W 0'Sorman 9-0... Stephen Davies (7) 6 0-30 OSSIE 25 B Pating 9-0..... Stephen Davies (7) 6 00 CAMINO A RONDA 17 Pat Microel 8-9 C Hawksley (7) 4 4 00-0 EASY DELTA 14 C Holmes 89 C Hawkstey (7) 4
5 FERRY GIRL (2) D Elsworth 89 S Dawson 7
6 32-2 HONEY VISION 14 (8,8F) G Eden 89 G Garter 3
7 004 IN THE GAME 93 Miss A Whithed 99 N Adams 9
8 000- SARUK 88 J Bridger 89 D Blyggs (3) 1
6-4 Honey Vision, 7-2 Celghtrinesight, 5-1 Cellito, 8-1 Ferry Girl, 8-1 in The Game, 12-1 Ossio, 16-1 others.

2.20 JANET BODEN HANDICAP (22,369: 1m 2f) (4) 1 2-11 RAPPORTEUR 14 (CD,F,G) C Elsey 6-10-0 W Newnes 1 54 Rapporteur, 52 Modesto, 51 Menseyelde Men, Army Of Sters.

2.50 DEBBIE AND LAUREN RUSSELL HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,280: 1m) (7)

5-2 Rosa Why, 3-1 Dublin Indemnity, 9-2 Sure To Win, 5-1 Try Leguard, 6-1 Lady Of Letters, 8-1 Basilica, 10-1 Tedora.

7-4 Up The Punjeb, 3-1 Patricien Magician, 9-2 Mykind 6-1 A Nymph Too Far, 8-1 Stzzling Rosa, 10-1 others.

3.50 JACK AND GILL COLE HANDICAP (£2,196: 5f) (6)

1 1011 SIR TASKER 7 (CD.G) J Hants 4-10-0... R Cochrane 5 2 3131 MEESON TMES 14 (C.D.F.S) Bellion 4-96 ft Hills 2 3 6502 RISSHAMES 11 (C.D) T Casey 5-6-13... G Carter 3 4 1-00 SPORTS POST LADY 28 (F.G.CD) C HII 4-8-12 D Biggs (3) 6 5 000- SKI CAPTAIN 93 (CD,F,G,S) P Howing 8-89 W Newmas 4 6 0601 COURTING NEWMARKET 11 (C) Mrs A Kright 4-8 8 Alex Greaves 1

5-2 Sir Tunker, 3-1 Messon Times, 4-1 Rushanes, 5-1 Sports Post Lady, 6-1 Ski Captain, 8-1 Courting Newmarkst. **COURSE SPECIALISTS** TRAINERS: J Harris, 4 winners from 7 runners, 57,1%; W O'Gorman, 19 from 76, 25,0%; C British, 7 from 35, 20,0%; T Thornson Jones, 4 from 21, 19,0%; N Calaghan, 7 from 38, 18,4%; C Bissy, 11 from 84, 17,2%.

JOCKEYS: Emma O'Gorman, 17 winners from 65 rides, 26.2%; M Hills, 13 from 78, 16.7%; K Rutter, 4 from 25, 16.0%; B Doyle, 8 from 59, 15.3%; R P Elliott, 5 from 33, 15.2%; W Newnes, 14 from 113, 12.4%.





Twomey rides first double

JOHN Twomey, a 7lb claiming jockey based at Barney Curley's stable, took the riding honours at Fakenham yesterday when completing his first double on Steveadon

and Spanish Whisper. Twomey has now ridden six winners this season and 14 in all since coming to England from his native Ireland two

MANDARIN THUNDERER 12.40 Its Nearly Time. 12.40 Its Nearly Time. 1.40 The Illywhacker. 1.10 Woodurather. 1.10 Cabochon. 1.40 Run For Free. 1.40 Run For Free. 2.10 Amour Royal, 2.40 Border Archer. 2.10 Gold Glen, 2.40 Border Archer. 3.10 Montagnard. 3.10 Flyer's Nap.

12.40 ALLBRIGHT BITTER NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,655: 2m) (4 runners)

GOING: SOFT (HEAVY PATCHES)

BETTING: 11-10 its Nearly Time, 9-4 Shedow Run, 6-1 Trevaylor, 10-1 Party Prince. 1891: MEETING ABANDONED -- SNOW

FORM FOCUS

SHADOW RUN beat Re-Release 2½1 in 16-runner Bangor (2m 4t, good to sett) novice handicap hurdle, ITS NEARLY TIME 16I 3rd of 14 to Freeline Finishing in novice chase over course and distance (soft), Previously beat the same gelding ½1 in 7-runner handicap chase over course and distance (good).

Selection: ITS NEARLY TIME

1.10 PERSIAN WAR PREMIER NOVICES HURDLE (Grade II: £6,544: 2m 4f) (6 runners)

FORM FOCUS

CABOCHON-34I 4th of 13 to Carobse in Laicester (2m, soft) novice hurdle. CHILD OF THE MIST 19I 4th of 6 to Lift And Load in grade I Challow Hurdle at Hawdowy (2m 4f 120/4), good) on penultimate start. Previously best Howarysdoon III in 15-runner Uttosetier (2m 4f, good to soft) novice hurdle. MIGHTY MOGUL best San Fernando SI in 18-runner Towcester (2m, soft) novice hurdle, NIKITAS 11 2nd of 14 to Coole Dodger in Newton Abbol (2m 150yd, soft) novice hurdle. Earlier best Mountain

Kingdom 1I in 14-runner Newbury (2m 100yd, good) novice burdle. SWEET DUKE best Morgane Harbour 10 in 11-runner Worcester (3m, good to soft) novice hurdle on perultimate start.
WOODURATHER best Mister Major %1 (peir clear) in 18-runner Fontwell (2m 2f, good) novice hurdle. Earlier completed trable when besting Bas De Laine 21 in 15-runner Newton Abbot (2m 150yd, good) novice hurdle.
Selection: WOODURATHER

1.40 RISING STARS CHASE (£7,148; 2m 4f) (5 runners)

FORM FOCUS

BETTING: 64 Run For Free, 7-4 The Bywhacker, 4-1 Freeline Finishing, 6-1 Mighty Falcon, 20-1 Young

MIGHTY FALCON 28%14th of 5 to Remittance Man in Newbury (2m 4f, good) chase. Earlier best fitth Amendment 1S in 6-runner Wincanton (2m 5f, good) of firm) chase. FREEINE FINIS-HING best Deep Sensation 1I in 14-runner novice chase here (2m 4f, soft).

RUN FOR FREE completed double when beating 1Selection: RUN FOR FREE

MANDARIN THUNDERER RICHARD EVANS 1.30 Miss Mangaroo 1.30 Miss Mangaroo. 2.30 GALE AGAIN (nap). 2.00 Explosive Speed. 2.00 Explosive Speed. 2.30 Gale Again.
3.00 Fairways On Target.
3.35 Stay On Tracks.
4.10 Whispering Steel. 2.30 Gale Again, 3.00 Yorkshire Holly 3.35 COOL GROUND (nap). 4.10 Trainglot. 4.40 Moment Of Truth. 4.40 Last 'O' The Bunch.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.10 TRAINGLOT.

GOING: GOOD $\textbf{1.30} \ \textbf{HOECHST PANACUR EBF MARES NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE} \\ \textbf{(Qualifier: $2,158: 2m 4f) (14 runners)}$ 1 C-0 BRIGHT POLLY 11 (Mrs A Shaw) J Haldene 6-10-12.... 0-0 BRIGHT POLLY 11 (MTS A Shaw) J Pagosan 8-10-12.

3-2038 CAROUSE, CROSSETT 7 (E Cains) E Cains 11-10-12.

00 CELTIC SONG 33 (Mss R Jaffreys) W Read 5-10-12.

00-0J FURRY BABY 36 (V Henson) M Avison 5-10-12.

000/DP- HEAD FOR HOME 336 (Mrs D Bousfield) B Bousfield 7-10-12.

40-08 MISS CORVARO 46 (J Bellerby) J Wainwright 5-10-12.

42/05 MISS MANGARDO 49 (C Buddey) Mrs G Raveley 6-10-12. Mr R Haie (7)
T Reed
C Grann
A Merrigan
A Dobbin (7) ___ R Marley — ____ P Niven • 99

8 42/05 MRSS MANGAROO 48 (C Buckley) Mrs G Reveley B-10-12
9 23 MOSSIE GOLD 11 (BF) (Airs H Greenshields) M Naughton 5-10-12
10 0 NUN ON THE RUN 44 (Airs D Coltman) J Oliver 6-10-12
11 0/440-60 RAPID GROUND 81 (BF) (D Satchell) G Richards 7-10-12
12 STRATHELLA (J Golding) S Payne 5-10-12
13 4-3 WEDDICAR LADY 92 (J Robson) G Moore 6-10-12
14 0P6-056 WHO'S SIŁLY NOW 44 (J Charlton) J Charlton 6-10-12 M Dwyer 81 G Cook (7) 65 BETTING: 11-4 Mes Mangaroo, 7-2 Mossie Gold, 4-1 Carousel Crossett, 11-2 Weddicar Lady, 7-1 Repid Ground, 10-1 Mes Corvaro, 12-1 Who's Sity Now, 14-1 others. 1991: MEETING ABANDONED - SNOW 2.00 SHELDUCK NOVICES CLAIMING HURDLE

(4-Y-Ö: £1,660: 2m) (15 runners)

2.30 NEWCASTLE BUILDING SOCIETY NOVA PLUS NOVICES C4

CHASE (£2,466: 2m 4f) (12 runners)

BETTING: 5-2 Gale Agein, 7-2 Gospel Rock, 5-1 Houghton, 6-1 Strong Approach, 8-1 Leigh Soy, 12-1 Shermago, Bishopsford, 14-1 Washshie, 20-1 others. FORM FOCUS

GOSPEL ROCKET best Just Frankle 12I in 8-runner novice handicep chase here (2m 4f, good to firm) on reappearance. HOUGHTON 87/2 4th of 13 to Parson's Thoms in Heydock (2m 4f, good) novice chase. STRONG APPROACH 15I 2nd to Mossy Fern in Ascot (3m, good to firm) novice chase. STRONG APPROACH 15I 2nd to Mossy Fern in Ascot (3m, good to firm) novice chase. (GLE AGAIN best LEIGH BOY (1ib better off) 7i 4th. SHERMAGO 25/21/5 bit of 11 to Jodesti in Kelso (3m. 50f) novice chase. (GLLE AGAIN best LEIGH BOY (1ib better off) 6 in 64-runner grade il novice chase hardicap hurdle. (Selection: GOSPEL ROCK

3.00 NEWCASTLE BUILDING SOCIETY HANDICAP HURDLE

Long handicap: All Welcome 9-13, Fairways On Target 9-13, Timura Double 9-10, Abnegation 9-10, Fiery Sun 9-9, Souter's HS 9-3, Equator 9-1, Mardood 9-0.

BETTING: 9-2 Fairways On Target, 5-1 Dewson City, 6-1 Northents, 7-1 Yorkshire Holly, 8-1 Vsyrus, 10-1 Abregation, 12-1 Better Times Ahead, Flery Sun, 14-1 Timurs Double, All Welcome, 20-1 others.

FORM FOCUS

DAWSON CITY best FARWAYS ON TARGET (5lb better off) 6I in 9-runner Wednerby (2m 4f. good to soft) handicap hardle on penultimate start. Previously 44 2nd of 8 to Rodeo Star in Westlanby (2m. good to soft) handicap hardle with ALL WELCOME (17lb better off) 44 3rd and MARDOOD unseating rider 2nd.

2nd.
YORKSHIRE HOLLY 10: 4th of 8 to Trepper John In Haydock (3m, good) grade it hurdle. NORTHANT'S best VAYRUA (9to better off) 31:i in 8-runner Carliale (2m 11 110yd, soft) handicap hurdle with SWEET CTY (2to better off) 8 4th. Previously 1:i 2nd of 8 to Bonsinza in handicap hurdle over course

and distance (good) with SETTER TIMES AHEAD (8b batter off) 5 3rd and VAYRUA (10b better off) 18 3rd 3rd VAYRUA (10b better off) 18 3rd 3rd VAYRUA (10b better off) 18 3rd 3rd VAYRUA (10b better off) 17 nn 17-runner Lucibow (2m 54, good) handlosp hurdle. TIMURS DOUBLE beat Leven Baby 196 in Kelson (2m 24, heavy) amateur (iden' handlosp hurdle or genutifinate start. ABNEGATION beat Stormy Dreams nock in 20-runner novice hurdle over course and distance (good). PIERY SUN SI 2nd of 7 to Polishing in Catteriot. (2m, good) handlosp hurdle with SOUTER'S HILL (2b better off) 12 id 6th. Selection: VAYRUA

2.10 NEWNHAM NOVICES HURDLE (£1,870: 2m) (15 runners)

	121365	AMOUR ROYAL 23 (A Seesd) O Sherwood 5-11-3 J Osborne	94
		DENABY 1236F (A Titoy) M Pice 7-11-3	_
ļ	6	HIGH BARON 23 (R Ainer) R Ainer 5-11-3 Mr M Hourigan (7)	_
,	D	HIGHLY SECURE 79 (G Dobie) R Callow 5-11-3 C Mattrie	_
i	PPP/34	JUST 15 (Just Recing) M Prov 6-11-3	65
,	U\$2-4U	LUNGURUM 94 (P Fetherston-Gordey) D Michaletin 5-11-3 R Dunwoody	68
•	06-03	MEADOW COTTAGE B9 (A Islan) J Gifton 6-11-3 Pater Hobbs	80
ì	8-0	RECORD EDGE 103 (Mrs P Joynes) Mrs P Joynes 5-11-3	
ı	00	SPIGULAR RUN 37 (Mrs E Purvs) Mrs J Daws 6-17-3	<u> </u>
ı		STEEL PLATE (Steel Plate & Sections Lat) J Bukovets 5-11-3 NON-RUNNER	_
	06560	TAMMY'S FRIEND 28 (Mrs E Hitchins) Wrs J Pilman 5-11-3 W Morris	61
	/F0P60	JOYCE'S PET 18 (J Criddle) J Criddle 8-10-12	
	000-	LITTLE STAO 322 (Excrs of late I Howels) C Smith 6-10-12 Martin Jones	
	5	GOLD GLEN 49 (E Benfield) P Makin 4-10-7	99
	5	PARIS OF TROY 9 (M Christoff) N Twiston-Davies 4-10-7	88
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BETTING: 3-1 Amour Royel, 4-1 Gold Glen, 5-1 Paris Of Troy, 7-1 Deneby, 8-1 Meadow Cottage, 10-1 Just Longford, 12-1 Tammy's Friend, 15-1 others

2.40 snaffles amateur riders handicap chase

(£2,302: 3m 3f) (11 runners)

Long handicap: Se Patient My Son 6-11, Lady Remainder 9-10, Scale Model 9-10, Cellic Remonse 9-10. BETTING: 5-2 Border Archer, 4-1 Sam Shorrock, 5-1 Sunbeam Talbot, 11-2 Gadbrook, 8-1 Milk Guota, 10-1 Reusel, Lady Remainder, 14-1 others.

3.10 GWENT HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,670: 3m) (22 runners)

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1 532-0PD MONTAGMARD 7 (5) (N Gill) M Bradslock B-11-11. P Holley
2 000534 WINTER HAVEN 289 (B.G) (J Davie) R Baker 9-11-9. W McFarland
3 1U/4P-04 SHADEUX 23 (F.S) (A Joyason) Mrs J Wonnscott 6-11-8. R Durnwoody
4 346320 DRIVER 7 (F.S) (D Hail) M Brown 6-11-0. A Flamilgan (7)
5 03-0225 ANNIO CHILONE 11 (5) (Mrs J Gifford) J Gifford 6-10-13. Peter Hobbs
8 124/2-30 HARRY LIME 26 (C.S) (Exors of late B Newton) M Poe 7-10-12. P Scadamors
7 14P05-5 THAMESDOWN TOOTSIE 29 (C.D.Q.S.) (F Will) M Scudamore 12-10-7. D Togg
9 000412 CARFAX 16 (G.S) (Mrs J Hosd) R Hosd 7-10-4 M Hosd
10 01/P-025 ROYAL CHARGE 12 (D.F.G.S) (P William M Scudamore 12-10-7. D Togg
11 25415 FLYER'S NAP 26 (CD.S) (R Alner) R Alner 8-10-2. Mr M Hosd of 12 12 40/0- PUNCHBAG 450 (S) (H à H Rocng) G Harn 6-10-0. Martin Jones
13 12140/0- PUNCHBAG 450 (S) (H à H Rocng) G Harn 6-10-0. D Meade (7)
14 PPP489- BRIGAND GIRL 315 (C Activel) Mrs J Evans 10-10-0. Milas S Waterman
16 020-056 CELTIC DIAMOND 23 (Mrs K Stuart) Mrs J Retter 7-10-0. G Lyone
17 500860 LONGGRIURST 16 (D.F.S) (Hosfie) Installations Lid) B Forsey 9-10-0. S Earle
19 F055/PP RONDEAU 7 (B.F.S) (Kennet Racing Lid) P Jones 9-10-0. G Upton
20 5FULIOD BASIL THYME 10 (F.S) (W Donchus) T Beley 12-10-0. S Earle
19 F055/PP RONDEAU 7 (B.F.S) (Kennet Racing Lid) P Jones 9-10-0. C Maude
22 PFP0/PP USEFUL ADDITION 11 (D Cowgli) M Tate 10-10-0. S McNeill
Lenn handican: Punchbag 9-12. Brossed Gut 9-7. Judvs Line 9-7. Cettic Diamond 9-7. Longohursi

BETTING: 4-1 Driver, 5-1 Harry Lime, 6-1 Flyor's Nap, 7-1 Annio Chilone, 8-1 Shadeux, 10-1 Judys Line, 12-1 Montagnard, Longghurst, 14-1 Tharnesdown Tootsie, 16-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS

GUIDE TO OUR IN-LINE RACECARD

Racecard number. Six-figure form (F - fail. P - pulled up. U - unseeted rider. B - brought down. S - slipped up. R - refused D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing, F if fist. (B - binkers. V - visor. H - hood. E - Eyesheid. C - course winner. D - distance winner. CD - course and

3.35 TOTE EIDER HANDICAP CHASE

(£10,464: 4m 1f) (13 runners)

Long handlosp: Rubba 9-8, Just Se 9-4, Plenty Crack 9-3, Honeybeer Meed 9-0, David's Duky 8-4, Pempering 8-2, Carousel Rocket 8-1, Relver's Lad 7-1, Jack Of Clubs 7-0, Majo Rain 6-11. BETTING: 6-4 Cool Ground, 3-1 Stay On Tracks, 4-1 Rubika, 6-1 Killone Abbey, 10-1 Plenty Crack, 14-1 Just So, 20-1 Honeybeer Mead, Carousel Rocket, 25-1 others.

FORM FOCUS

COOL GROUND best JUST SO (3b better off) 71 in 9-runner Chepstow (2m 8i, soft) handicap chase with HONEYBEER MEAD (same terms) isl 3rd. Previously 191 3rd of 8 to Woodgete in Warwick (3m 5i, good to soft) handicap chase with DAVID'S DUKY (same terms) 25l 3rd. KILLONE ABBEY best Ornerts 5 in 5-runner Westerby (2m 100/d, good to soft) handicap chase with DAVID'S DUKY (same terms) 25l 3rd. KILLONE ABBEY best Ornerts 5 in start with PAMPFRING (3b worse off) 3ki 4th and at Ayr (4m 120yd, good to firm) in April with JUST SO 8th. DAVID'S DUKY best Boracevs 12 in 9-runner Warwick (3m 5t, good) handicap chase.

STAY ON TRACKS best Samfan Bi in 3-runner

4.10 NEWCASTLE BROWN ALE TOP OF THE NORTH NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier: \$2,010: 2m 4f) (22 runners)

BETTING: 9-4 Trainglot, 4-1 Whispering Steel, 5-1 Tallywagger, 13-2 Forward Glen, 8-1 Take One, 12-1 Sage Brush, 14-1 Dutch Blues, Silver Haze, 20-1 others. FORM FOCUS

4.40 NEWCASTLE BUILDING SOCIETY HANDICAP CHASE (£2,954: 2m 4f) (8 runners)

Long handicap: Fighting Finish 9-13.

BETTING: 3-1 Fighting Priish, 7-2 Jesters Prospect, 4-1 Antinous, 6-1 Moment Of Truth, 8-1 Last 'O' The Bunch, 10-1 Capitain Mor, 14-1 Lacder, 20-1 others.

FORM FOCUS

LAST 'O' THE BUNCH 71 2nd of 4 to Waterloo Boy (level weights) in grade I Castilatord Chase at Wetherby (2m, good to soft) penultimate start. MO-MENT OF TRUTH 7% 37 of 6 to Waterloo Boy (gave 20th) in grade il Troje Creek Lmitted Handloop Chase at Sandown (2m, good).

SLUFF KNCLL best Stay On Tracks Vi in 7-runner wetherby (3m 100yd, soft) handloop chase on penultimate start. CAPTAIN MOR 157 3rd of 5 to Old Applejack in handloop chase over course and dis-

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS Winners Runners Per cent **JOCKEYS** 24.7 D J Moftatt
22.6 D Byrne
21.3 K Johnson
21.1 C Grant
20.0 L Wyer
19.5 M Dwyer

☐ Good Profile, who extended his Hurdle at Liverpool. Denys Smith unbeaten run to five at Edinburgh ended an eight-week winnerless spell

yesterday, now tackles the Victor when completing a 12-1 double with Ludorum Hurdle at Haydock followed by the Glenlivet Anniversary | Minstrel and Cornet.

Ireland fuel their fire with desire to regain esteem

BY BRYAN STILES

A FAINT whiff of optimism has been wafting around the bars of Dublin this week. It is an optimism peculiar to the Irish and has been gathering strength despite the embarrassing defeats that devastated Ireland in their last two

The feeling is that the Scots are going to endure the backlash for those losses when they step out on to Lansdowne Road for their five nations' championship match this afternoon.

The optimism is driven by the passion of the loyal supporter who freely criticises his team for weaknesses, real and imagined, yet still regards the next game as the one in which his favourites are going to

reveal their true worth. Irish confidence is lifted by the fact that Scotland are their opponents - after all, reason the Irish, Scotland are in a far worse mess than they are. The Scots have not recovered from the retirement of Calder and Jeffrey, or the injury to Armstrong, goes the reasoning. And the game is at Lansdowne Road, the vibrant venue for the most thrilling match in the World Cup last autumn, when Ireland were almost roared to a famous

Scotland's victory in the World

Cup pool match in October was their 53rd in the 115-year-old series. Ireland have won 45 and

☐ Ireland's biggest winning mar-gin was in the 21-0 victory in 1950. Scotland's came in their grand stam year of 1984, when they won 32-9: both matches were in

☐ Iwan Tukalo equals the Scottish record of 33 caps for a wing, held by Arthur Smith (1955-62); Tukalo has scored 15 tries in his

☐ The 1989 game produced the record aggregate for the series of 58 points, to be followed by 53 points last season. Both games were refereed by Kerry Fitzgerald, the Australian official who died in December.

championship unless stated): 1982: Ireland 21, Scotland 12; 1983: Scotland 13, Ireland 15; 1984: Ireland 9 Scotland 17; 1984: 1984: Ireland 9 Scotland 18; Ireland 1984: Ireland 9 Scotland 18; Ireland 18; Ireland 19; Ireland

1984: Ireland 9, Scotland 32; 1985: Scotland 15, Ireland 18; 1986: Ireland 9, Scotland 10; 1987: Scotland 16, Ireland 12; 1988: Ireland 22 Scotland 16; Ireland 12; 1988:

Scotland 37, Ireland 21; 1990: Ireland 10, Scotland 13; 1991: Scotland 28, Ireland 25; Scotland

ENGLAND encounter by far

their most substantial opposi-

tion in their third B interna-

tional of the season, at the

Jean Bouin Stadium today.

Those players who do well here may justifiably build their hopes of a tour to New

Zealand in June. In two matches, against

Spain and Ireland, they have scored 81 points, thanks, in

large part, to the tactical deci-

sion-making of Stuart

Barnes, their captain. But the

size of today's task is illustrat-

ed by the presence in the

opposing ranks of such nota-

ble senior caps as Bonneval,

Bourguignon and Benetton.

That Bonneval, who has 18

caps, is now in a third-choice

XV gives an idea of the depth

of French rugby. Their newly-

conceived Espoirs play the

eventual champions. Support like that is worth half a dozen points on the board and that could be decisive.

A little more iron has entered the souls of the Irish players in recent weeks, too, following criticism of their captain, Philip Matthews, and their coach, Ciaran Fitzgerald, by Mick Doyle, a former international and coach. in a newspaper column.

Doyle was scathing over the defeats by Wales and England. Happily for the Irish, it has had the effect of binding the team closer together.

Two Irishmen likely to have influencial roles this afternoon are Neil Francis and Brendan Mullin. Francis is regarded by many as the best lineout jumper in Europe. He showed the much-vaunted England pairing of Dooley and Bayfield how the job should be done during England's 38-9 victory at Twickenham a formight ago.

If the ball he secures can be moved swiftly to the backs. then Mullin is likely to enjoy another productive game against the Scots. He has scored four tries in recent games against them and, as the leading Irish try-scorer, with 15 to his credit, he is

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K J Murphy

(Cork Cons

B J Mullin

R P Keyes

S J Smith

G F Halpin

M J Galwey

N P J Francis

B F Robinson

New Zealand tour is

the carrot for B men

By DAVID HANDS

M J J Fitzaibbon

REPLACEMENTS: 16 D M Curtis (London Irish); 17 D R McAleese (Bellymens); 18 R Saunders (London Irish); 19 R Lawfor (Boctive Rangers); 20 D C Ritzgersid (DLSP); 21 T J Kingston (Dolphin).

FIRA match with Italy in

Tarbes tomorrow so their forces are split but Bonneval

and, particularly, the clusive Blanc should challenge En-

Like their seniors in the

Parc des Princes across the

way, England's B team will

want a better return from

FRANCE B: J-C Langlade (Nines): S Weller (Grenoble), E Bonnevel (Toulouse), E Blenc (Racing Cub), D Berry (Toulouse); E Blenc (Racing Cub), D Berry (Toulouse); F Valo (Grenoble), E Landreau (Angoulerne), E Michaud (SBLC), B Dela Pira (Toulouse), G Bourguignon (Narborne), J-P Reveiller (Graufter), P Benetion (Agen), N Hallinger (Massmet), ENGLAND B: I Hunter (Northampton); J Felton (Batth), P de Glasrelle (Batth), E Butte (Waspe); G Baldwin (Northampton), G Dave (Betth), A Malfins (Herladure), M Greenwood (Notongham), M Johnson (Laicester), B Sims (Glaucester), J Cassell (Sersons), B Clarke (Butt), P Referee: R McDowell (Incisanc),

their tight forwards.

gland's effective midfield.

R M Wallace

P P A Danaher

S P Geoghegan

. F P Aheme

N J Popplewell

P M Matthews

Danaher alongside him in

Danaher was the only change from the team that played England until Murphy was called in for the injured Staples at full back. Danaher's aggression is likely to create openings for Mullin. who makes his 45th international appearance.

Mullin and his former partner, Kiernan, made a world record of 23 appearances together for a centre partnership and that will be broken today by the Scottish centres, Scott Hastings and Lineen who will be quick to exploit weaknesses in understanding

by the new pairing.

Scotland have kept faith with the team defeated 25-7 by England at Murrayfield, which means Iwan Tukalo equals the Scottish record of 33 caps for a wing, held by Arthur Smith.

The Scots feel they have the measure of the Irish - they have beaten them in their last four meetings - and they will be looking again to Gavin Hastings to make a telling contribution with his goal-kicking and his powerful for-ays into the back line. He will need to keep a steady nerve in front of those fervent Irish

Scotland

A G Hastings

A G Stange

S Hastings

S R P Linean

C M Chalmers

A D Nichol

Prop

Hocke

Prop

Flanker

Lock

*D M B Sole

(Heriot's PP)

A P Burnell

D J McIvor

G W Welf

(Mercee) IR Smith

D B White

REPLACEMENTS: 16 P W Dods (Gels): 17 A Shlei (Melrose): 18 G H Oliver (Hawlick): 19 R I Watswright (Edinburgh Academicals): 20 P M Jones (Gloucester):

Australia will

play against

South Africa

Sydney: Australia hope to be-

come the first country to play

South Africa in international

rugby union following the lift-

ing of a boycott of contact

Joe French, president and

chairman of the Australian

Rugby Football Union, said

South Africa would be ap-

proached at a meeting of rug-

"The South African delega-

tion will be approached to

issue an invitation to the Wal-

labies to tour South Africa

sometime in August this

year." French said. That en-

counter would mark the re-

turn of the Springboks to

international competition.

pre-empting a tour of France

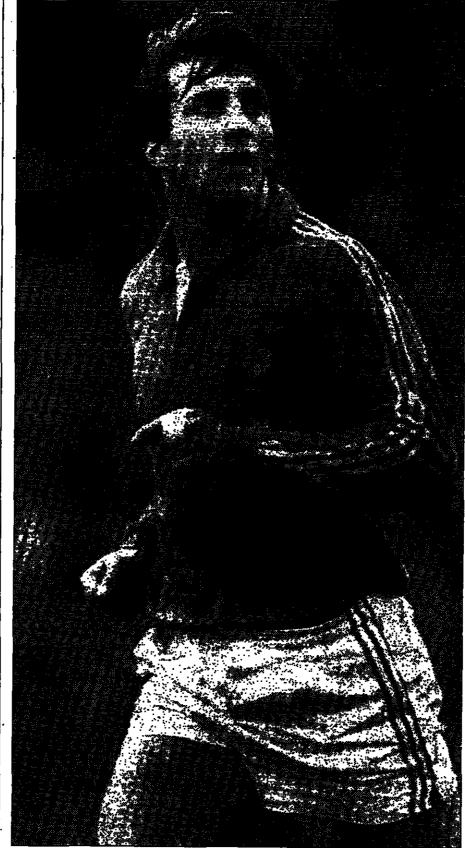
by officials here today.

between the two countries.

Academicals); 20 P M Jones (Glouce 21 J Allan (Edinburnh Academicals)

N G B Edwards

K S Milne



Leading by example: Sella, France's guiding star and inspiration in Paris today

Sella's talent makes him France's natural leader

season, and Dodge, though

by no means a natural lead-

er, was the only player with

tency who could be called

the experience and co

ix years ago you could come to Paris and see the billboards on an international-match weekend. Sella, le sacre monstre. Philippe Sella, a monster? Well, not exactly, it was merely the way the French chose to define a player whose skills and strength put him above so many of

Sella is still a monstre, but now he is Captain Monster, of the French team which today attempts to end England's apparently inexorable drive towards a second successive five nations' championship. It took him 80 caps before he was invited to lead his country, against Wales on February I, which probably says something about the man as well as the history

of French leadership. When in doubt, the French turn automatically to their scrum half as captain; already Fabien Galthie is spoken of as next in line, despite his inexperience. There is no pack leader in the present side: Galthie will act as the forwards' eyes. aided by the two decision-makers along-side, Alain Penaud, the oth-

er half back, and Sella. There is an instructive comparison to be drawn between Sella and another centre who came to international leadership late, Paul Dodge. The circumstances of Dodge's elevation were not dissimilar in 1985. England were rebuilding on the same mas-

by his country's sports followers sive scale as France this fit him? "It's a different context," he says. "When I arrived I was a shy young boy. Now, I can go back ten vears and identify with the

Similarly, there is a uniform acceptance of Sella, not the most boisterous of men, as the hub of the French team. Pierre Sella has the slightly aes-Berbizier, the coach who appointed him (even though they have had the odd disagreement), declares him to be a natural leader and an obvious selection: "He leads by example." That, indeed, is the key to the player He can do it all and, in doing so, encourages others to follow. He once reflected that he could end up as a flank forward, a job he is strong and hard enough to do and

David Hands analyses the qualities

of a player who is held in awe

which, indeed, he can be seen frequently doing even He stands alone in this team. There are others with many caps - Franck Mesnel, Jean-Baptiste Lafond, Marc Cecillon but not one has reached the commanding heights that Sella has occupied now for seven years, after an international apprenticeship that began with his first cap in 1982, against Roma-nia. So does the new team - it listens and it learns." How deeply the lessons are ingrained England will learn today.

young men coming into the team, although there is a difference because the youngsters today have more personality than we

thetic look of the artist, looks belied by the power he generates in the tackle and with the ball in hand. When Berbizier offered him the captaincy, the two men sat down to convince each other of the way for ward. Both derived satisfaction from the slim 12-9 victory over Wales because they could identify mo-ments when work done in training came to fruition. "But as soon as we forgot some of the basic rules of rugby, the Welsh knew how to expose our weaknesses." Sella said. "Even so it is not my part to try and make up for the defects of others. The aim is to encourage them, the young men, to express themselves. This is a more disciplined team than that which played in the World Cup last October

YACHTING -

Stakes rise as trials

each win is worth four points

Nippon has had a keel

The familiar pattern in the defender trials' round robin two was broken when Stars & by 55sec from the Americas ream's second-string yacht.

With John Bertrand steering in place of Conner, who was on a fund-raising visit to the Miami boat show, Stars & Stripes, with better speed as the wind faced from 14 to 8 knots came from behind to take the lead on the secondlast leg of the course, the third windward beat

SCOREDOARD, New Zesland (Rod David), Nopon (Chris Dictori), Japan, 6. 8 More of Venezia (Paul Ceyard, Rah), Ville de Paris (Marc Pajot, France), 5; Spirit of Australia (Peter Gimour), 3; Espana 92 (Pedro Campos, Span), 2; Tre Kronor (Gunner, Kraniz, Sweden), 1; Challenge Australia (Phir Thompson), 0.

Under-strength

sides have much to prove

RUGBY LEAGUE

FROM KEITH MACKLIN IN PERPIGNAN

Britain British Coal international here tomorrow is the composition of the two sides. Great Britain have a strange look without their normal huge representation from the champions and Challenge Cup holders, Wigan, who play Warrington in a delayed Silk Cut Challenge Cup tie. The French have been hit

by the withdrawal, for a variety of "personal reasons" of seasoned internationals in Guy Delaunay. Thierry Buttignol. Daniel Verdes. Jacques Moliner and Marc Palanques, and are still endeavouring to rebuild their side on the foundation of the experienced and skilful half backs. Gilles Dumar and Patric Entat. As a result, both teams

pitch into the fray players anxious to make their mark on the international scene. The stakes are high for the Great Britain team, with the coach, Malcolm Reilly, pondering on his final choices for the important tour of Australia. New Zealand and Papua New Guinea this summer.

For France the challenge is to produce a team capable of competing at international level with Australia and Great Britain, who each thrashed France by 60 points in a disastrous 1990-1 season

THE most striking feature that plunged rugby league about the France v Great across the Channel into yet another of its periodic bouts

of crisis and gloom. Tomorrow's game will thus be fiercely fought, and the result is expected to be much closer than in last year's games, won by Great Britain with ludicrous ease, 45-10 at Perpignan and a record 60-4 at Headingley.
Two men in the British side

will be particularly anxious to make impressions on Reilly. Jonathan Davies, captain in the absence of Hanley, Edwards and Schofield, wants a regular international place. Lee Crooks, a self-confessed reformed character, with drink and weight problems behind him, wants to reclaim the regular place in the forwards he lost three years ago.
FRANCE: P Limongi (Carcassonne), C
Savent (St Gauders), P Chamorin (St
Esteve); P Fages (Pa), J-M Gardis (St
Esteve); G Dumas (St Gauders, capil, P
Entat (Carcassonne); Y Viloni
(Carpentras), T Valero (Lesigneri), B Llong
(Carcassonne), C Bonnatous (Ab).

□ Wigan play Warrington in the Silk Cut Cup at Central

SWIMMING

Sprinting trio are split by a fraction

BY CRAIG LORD

THE three big men of British sprint swimming were poised to launch their long-course seasons with a set of world class times at the Speedo meet at the Empire Pool in Cardiff last night.

Less than two tenths of a second split Mike Fibbens, the world cup series sprint freestyle champion from Bar-net Copthall, his club mate, Mark Foster, and Austyn Shortman, of Bristol Central, in the qualifying heats of the 50 metres freestyle. The final should be much closer still. representing the first time the rivals have raced each other in a 50-metre pool for almost

at the short course world cup at Leicester six weeks ago resulted in a victory for Fibbens that helped him towards the world cup title. But

so closely are the three talents matched that the British short course record rests not with Fibbens but Foster at 22.22sec at the end of a winter season in which that standard had also been improved once by Shortman and twice by Fibbens.

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Last night, displaying why the three rank among the world's top ten 50 metre sprinters. Fibbens recorded 23.42sec for a meet record. only to see that lowered by a tenth of a second by Foster in the next heat, with Shortman close behind on 23.49sec.

Jeanette Gunston, of Bracknell, was the fastest qualifier for the 50 metres placed fifth at the event at the 1990 Commonwealth Games.

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CYCLO-CROSS

Championship finale will be a threesome

DAVID Baker, the British champion, has his last big race of the season tomorrow knowing that he cannot retain his National Trophy League title for the fifth

successive year. Illness kept the Raleigh team rider out of the first two rounds, but although he is the 40 points gained would

favourite to win at Bingley, not take him into the top six Instead, overall victory will go either to Steve Douce, of

Dawes, or Chris Young, of MBK, who are separated by seven points. Douce, the league winner three years in succession from

1985 to 87 when his run was stopped by Baker, has two options to ensure another success: to blast off from the gun and take advantage of Young's known slow start or, should that fail, to shadow his Yorkshire rival to the finish.

Young needs to win, with Douce finishing third or . fourth, but Baker holds the master card and goes to the race with a fortnight's rest in his legs after finishing Britain's top rider in the world professional championship.

Roger Hammond, the junior world champion, has an eight points lead in his category from his Wembley RC colleague, Stuart Blunt

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Gymkhana lodge appeal By Sydney Friskin

HOCKEY

INDIAN Gymkhana, who have been docked two points by the Pizza Express National League management committee, and fined £200, are appealing to the Hockey Association as they prepare for their first division match against Lyons at Feltham

tomorrow. The committee's decision followed reports on the match against Stourport, which was abandoned because of fog on January 26 with Stourport leading 1-0 after two Gymkhana players had been sent

Paul Vijay, Gymkhana's liaison officer, said yesterday that the match against Stourport should never have been started because conditions at the time of abandonment were no worse than when it had started. While accepting their share of the blame for the incidents, he added: "Everyone else seems to have got off scot-free."

Gymkhana are hoping that the association will at least restore the two points so vital in the relegation contest, in which Lyons, Bournville and Welton are also involved. The impending departure

of the British team to Karachi for the Champions Trophy tournament has led to a number of postponements which have diminished interest for the time being in the first division. In the second division, Sur-

biton, the leaders, who are

playing Warrington at home tomorrow, will farewell Ian Jolly, the driving force in their Vienna: St Albans, the Engattack, who is due for an army lish champions, took a firm posting overseas. With a one- grip on their group with two point lead over Reading and victories on the first day of the need to win both to make sure men's indoor club of the title.

to play a match at Bisham goals in their opening 10-7 Abbey tomorrow against an victory over Roma and added international XI.

morrow select his squad for last two minutes to beat the two internationals against White Star. of Belgium, 7-5 options open before Britain Denmark. travel to the United States for training on March 29.

St Albans take firm grip

two matches to go. Surbiton D division in the European championship.

The Great Britain team is lan Jennings scored five two more in the 7-4 win over WAC Vienna.

Denis Hay, the Great Brit- NMP Menzieshill, of Scotain women's coach, will to- land, scored three goals in the Australia in March. Hay will and then snatched a point in name 19 players to leave his an 8-8 draw with Slagelse, of

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reach a new pitch San Diego: The challengers simple, keel configuration resume racing today in round and without her America's

robin two of the America's Cup-winning skipper, Den-Cup eliminations for the nis Conner, at the helm, won Louis Vuitton Cup with the competition -tightening as Defiant. compared to one in round robin one (Bob Ross writes).

change and will have a completely new sail inventory for round robin two. Il Moro di Venezia has cut

a step in her topsides aft, similar to that on New Zealand and Nippon to save weight, and has gone for more mainsail area.

Stripes, with a new, more

De Cesaris to take over from Zanardi

TYRRELL have signed the Italian, Andrea de Cesaris, only four days after naming Alessandro Zanardi as their driver for the forthcoming: Formula One grand prix;

De Cesaris, aged 31, takes over from Zanardi as team colleague to Olivier. Grouillard, of France. The team manager, Ken,

Tyrrell, said: "The need to meet the Fisa [International Motor Sports Federation] deadline of February 5 meant that we had to nominate two drivers without the necessary contracts being in place. Subsequently, we were able to conclude an agreement with Andrea."

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World Cup fixture list suits Taylor

Programme gives England every chance to qualify

FROM STUART JONES, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT, IN AMSTERDAM

THE first appearance of an England team in the 1994 World Cup was a triumph. Graham Taylor, the manager. Graham Kelly, the Football Association's chief executive, and Glen Kirton, the head of external affairs, emerged from yesterday's fixtures meeting here considering that they could not have arranged a more favourable

qualifying programme.

Having avoided opening the campaign in September, the month when England are traditionally at their most vulnerable, they will start with three successive games at Wembley. By the time they reach the potentially decisive period, at either end of the summer of 1993, they should have built a substantial foundation.

As in the last three qualifying tournaments, England are scheduled to finish on foreign territory, a prospect which had not been on Taylor's list of preferences. Yet the last visit will be to the tiny principality of San Marino, the weakest of the other five nations in the group. "Any-body can pick holes in the programme." Taylor said.

"but we think that we've got as much as we could have hoped for. Since we had to sort out 30 fixtures between us, we had to compromise, otherwise we would still be here." The genial negotiations lasted a mere four

Kelly, who feared that they might continue even until this morning, revealed the diplomatic moves behind the agreeable outcome. You don't want to kick off the discussion because too many of your ideas might be rejected," he said. "Nor do you want to be the last because the dates may already have been taken.'

The Norwegians led the way. The English contingent chose to be third in the lineup, and were able to plot a course which satisfied Taylor in his first appearance in such negotiations. He went through the schedule step by step, offering the reasons behind his relief.

We were pleased, first of all, to keep September 9 free," Taylor said. He indicated that he may use the vacant date for a practice match, probably in Germany against

the World Cup holders, who will themselves be looking for strong opponents to fill their otherwise empty caleridar. "We then have six days"

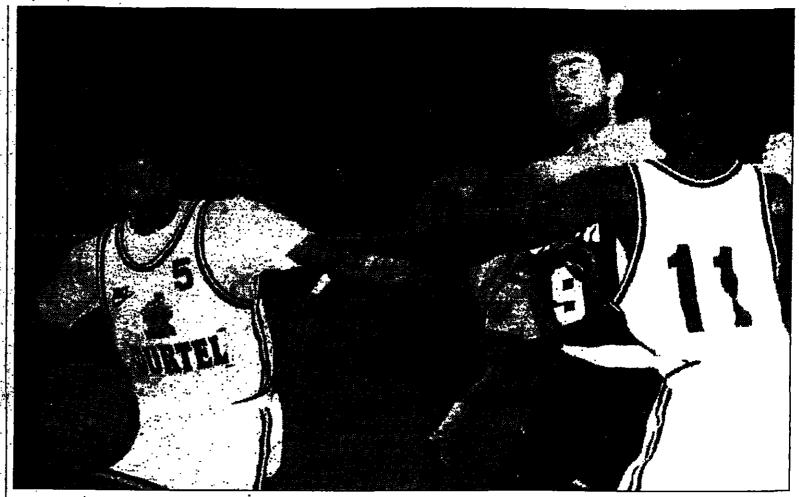
preparation before the games at home to Norway in October and to Turkey in November." Taylor said. "We then have a gap before our next fixture. Since it is against San Marino, again at home, the lack of continuity should pose no problem. We will have a free weekend before the trip to Turkey and again before we meet the Dutch at home in April. It was then that we had to compromise a bit."
England will embark on

two separate tours, the first to the east to play in Poland on a Saturday, and in Norway five

The second is planned to be to the west, to compete proba-bly against Canada and in a tournament featuring Italy and Germany as well as the next World Cup hosts, the

England will resume their qualifying campaign at home against Poland before completing it by visiting the Netherlands and San Marino. Taylor is optimistic that the three fixtures at the start of the 1993 season will be, preceded by free Saturdays. There is more flexibility

within the structure. Taylor, who initially imagined that he would have scarcely any opportunity to experiment, is considering playing as many as seven or even eight practice matches, including the tour to the United States, between the end of the 1992 season



Spoiling play: Rucker, left, and Smith, right, of Antibes, move to block Dalla Vecchia, of Bologna, in the European Cup tie

Spanish clubs dominate cup pools

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

THE two Spanish clubs, Barcelona and Joventut Badalona, continue to dominate the men's European clubs' basketball championship, scor-ing handy victories with two games remaining before the play-offs.

Barcelona, last year's losing finalists, overwhelmed Kalev Tallinn 96-85 on Thursday to maintain a one-point advantage in the pool A semi-final

Joventut, also enjoying a

one-point lead, had little trouble in defeating the bottomplaced club, Den Helder, 96-66 at home. They can now be knocked off the top spot only if they lose their remaining two matches and their rivals, Philips Milan, win both of

Joventut powered to a 23point lead at half-time and extended it to 30 points early in the second half as the relentless pressure from their top scorers, Harold Pressley, who scored 27 points, and Jordi Villacampa, told.

Partizan Belgrade, like all Jugoplastika Split, crashed Yugoslav sides playing home 72-77 to Phonola Caserta, games in Spain because of almost certain to be eliminatcivil war, took a big step towards the play-offs by over-Slobodna clawed back

TENNIS

Becker steps into

the semi-finals

are set in Madrid

kusen 93-69. They now hold down sec ond place in pool B. The German side stands little chance of qualifying for the

coming an early four-point

deficit to crush Bayer Lever-

too four Slobodna Dalmacija, well off the form which made them champions for three successive years

Brussels: Boris Becker, of

Germany, advanced to the

semi-finals of the Donnay

indoor championship by de-feating his compatriot. Carl-

Uwe Steeb, 6-3. 7-6

Becker, the No. 3 seed, dis-

missed Steeb, who is ranked 32 in the world, in 94 min-

vesterday.

from a 13-point deficit to come within a single point a minute from time. But the Italians, superior shooters throughout, pressed home their advantage to climb one point off the bottom of Pool A.

Virtus Bologna held on to second place in pool A with a crushing 103-78 win over Olympique d'Antibes, hit by injuries to four key players.

wealth of Independent States.

Professionals, which ranks

players worldwide, said yes-

terday that even if Edberg

were to reach the final and

beat Courier there, he would

of regaining the highest

The Association of Tennis

Bologna can ensure a play-of spot with a win over Cibona Zagreb. Cibona lost 69-60 away to Israel's Maccabi Elite, who now move into third place in the pool.

"We were useless. We have to ask why," Jean-François

Evert, of Antibes, said. Philips Milan pushed pas Estudiantes Madrid into third place in pool B by beating them 70-65. Aris Salonika, of Greece, climbed out of last place in the pool in a narrow 86-84 away win over the Belgian side, Mechelen.

1992: September 9: Norway v San Marino. September 23: Norway v Netherlands, Potend v Turkey. October 7: San Marino v Norway. October 14: Netherlands v Potand, England v Norway. October 28: Turkey v San Marino. November 18: England v Turkey. December 18: Turkey v Netherlands v 1993: February 17: England v San Marino. February 24: Netherlands v Turkey. March 10: San Marino v San Marino. March 31: Turkey v England. April 28: England v England. Quinton gets his way

won his first important issue in his new role as chairman of the Premier League. After four months of dithering, the clubs succumbed meekly yesterday, unanimously agreeing to the appointment of Rick Parry as the new

league's chief executive. "It was a very useful, very successful meeting and we have a chief executive," - Quinton announced elatedly afterwards. "Rick Parry is in place until the start of next

The unanimity, which was unexpected, reflected some intense lobbying in the previous 48 hours. No other candidate was considered. It was a crucial battle for Quinton to win after failing to do so at the first meeting he chaired, when the clubs ignored a hint that he would resign, and his authority has clearly been

strengthened. Possibly the most important decision to come out of the meeting was a move to open discussions with the government on the Taylor report. The clubs agreed to send a delegation that will be led by Quinton.

Rush returns to **boost Liverpool**

By CLIVE WHITE

club since November 17 against Ipswich Town in tomorrow's FA Cup fifth round

tie at Portman Road. His introduction as substitute against Bristol Rovers in the fourth round replay on Tuesday helped turn the tie for the Merseysiders and his presence for the full 90 minutes could be vital against John Lyall's team.

Graeme Souness, the manager, must decide whether it is the right occasion to blood Istvan Kozma, their new Hungarian signing. Such a decision would have been unthinkable in other years but Liverpool are still unable to choose the right moment to deploy their players. Kozma, who was signed for £300,000 from Dunfermline, could

find himself in the deep end. "He will be involved at some stage but I have yet to decide whether he will start on the pitch or on the substi-tutes' bench," Souness said. "He is strong and mobile and I believe he could win a permanent place in the first team." The match, which will be screened by satellite, pre-cedes BBC's live coverage of

IAN Rush could hardly have the Swindon Town-Aston Vilchosen a better time, from la tie, which ought to provide
SIR John Quinton, the chairman of Barclays Bank, has
start his first game for the Glenn Hoddle and Ron Atkinson, the respective managers, are committed to playing the game in the right

> The key could be held by two strikers, Dwight Yorke, of Villa, and Duncan Shearer. of Swindon, Yorke's goal in the third round was responsible for disposing of Totten-ham, the holders and Hoddle's first and greatest love, while he almost singlehandedly eliminated Derby County with a treble in the last round. He is expected to

recover from a groin injury. Shearer was a target of Atkinson when he was manager of West Bromwich Albion but the player, no relation to Southampton's similarly prolific goalscorer, chose instead to move to Swindon in a £250,000 deal. Since then the Scot has scored 94 goals, 28

of them this season. Shearer, however, is more concerned with his team's image than his own projection.
"A lot of players and managers have said we are the best footballing side in the second division," he said. "I just hope we can prove it this

Divided by water, united in mind NOTHING wider than the

Channel separates us from the English. One phrase covers the situation: "We have often been enemies but, really deep down, we like you a lot." It is the words "really deep down" where the problem exists. mounist. mevi bly English, found one definition which is sufficiently exact to express this misas many imbeciles in England as there are in France. But whereas an English imbecile is simply an imbe-

cile, a French imbecile is one who thinks." That is indeed well observed. However, two writers whose names may still mean something - Bos-suet, who was the first to say "England, ah! Perfidi-ous England!" and Fran-cois Mouriac, who wrote: I only like the English when they are dead were anything but

imbeciles.

An uneasiness flows between the shores of the Channel and has existed throughout history. And sport, despite all its efforts, has not dissipated this. On the contrary. Because England prides itself on having invented everything tea and football, coffee and rugby, playing fields and strawberry tarts, the referee and fair play. According to Edith Cresson, they even

England play France at rugby union in Paris today and in football at Wembley on Wednesday. Christian Montaignac, of L'Equipe, the French daily sports newspaper, writes about the traditional ri-Meredith, the nineteenth valry between the two

> before the Greeks had thought of the practice. What is left for France except the cooking of frogs' legs? There is still the pleasure of complaining and re-minding the English, sitting on their island, that they are no longer the only people in the world. This is particularly shown by the boisterousness on the field when voung men in shorts battle with a round oval ball Twice - today, at the Parc des Princes, and next Wednesday, at Wembley -we shall see that in a time

of peace, the English and the French really enjoy having a guerilla war which consists of both liking and hating each other: Napo-leon against Henry V, Mo-lière against Shakespeare, the bowler hat against the leather loafers. For us, humour, for you, wit," Lawrence Durrell wrote. Having been born an Englishman and chosen to live in our country, he

knew all about diplomacy. So the Channel Tunnel or

not, we like you. Really

Edberg and Karel Novacek. The Swedish player is making an effort to regain the world's No. 1 ranking, which he lost last week to Jim Courier, of the United States.

Courier was scheduled to play against Alexander Volkov, of the Common-**ATHLETICS World sprint records**

Madrid: Merlene Ottey of

Jamaica set a world record of

6.96sec for the women's 60

metres at an international

athletics meeting in Madrid

Oney bettered the previous

record of 7.00sec set by Nellie

Fiere-Cooman of the Nether-

lands on the same track six

years ago.
Irina Privalova of the Com-

yesterday.

ranking.
"That depends on the utes. In today's semi-final, Becker will play the winner of the match between Stefan bonus points which he scored during the tournament," an ATP official said. Such points are awarded

based on the ranking of the player who is beaten. A triumph against the world's No. I player in any

monwealth of Independent

States (CIS) was second in

6.97sec, setting a new Euro-

Andre Cason of the United

States bettered his own world

record in the men's 60 me-

tres, clocking 6.41 sec, .04 sec

faster than his previous

record set in Ghent, Belgium.

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FRANÇE

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ATP tournament gets the vicpoints. (Agencies)

Frankfurt: Katrin Krabbe, the German sprinter, has passed a drugs test carried out this month in Germany, the national sports federation (DSB) said yesterday. Krabbe, who is suspected of having rigged a test taken in January while training in South Africa, was found to be

denburg on February 5. The announcement about

Krabbe, the world 100 and been embroiled in controver-

African training ground. The three samples appear to have come from the same person, and a further series of tests are being undertaken.

said yesterday that there is a West German "plot" and an "anti-Krabbe lobby" at work. Springstein added there were irregularities in the South Af-

invented homosexuality

Dustbowl has chance

DUSTBOWL, a five-year-old with a classic winning pedigree and a a former protegé of Peter Walwyn's yard, looks to have a a great chance of winning Switzerland's richest race, the Grosser Preis Von St

Moritz (10f), tomorrow. The now Swiss-trained Dustbowl, showed his rivals including the 1989 winner. Mykonos a clean pair of heels as an easy winner of the main trial race, the Grosser Preis Von Sils, at the same venue two weeks ago.

Higgins can play

Snooker: Alex Higgins, fac-ing possible disciplinary action over a series of alleged incidents during his defeat by Stephen Hendry at the UK Open in November, will be free to accept his wild card invitation into the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters as the disciplinary hearing will not be held until April 5 and

Tokyo the venue American football: The Dallas Cowboys and Houston

Oilers will meet in an

exhibitio game in Tokyo on

Logo in demand

Olympic Games: The Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games expects to raise at least \$50 million from merchandise bearing the 1996 centennial logo it unveiled on Thursday.

Minet to sponsor Athletics: The insurance firm, Minet, has come to the rescue as a late sponsor of this weekend's national indoor championships at Birmingham's National Indoor

Lacy is appointed

Bowling: Alan Lacy aged 50. of Hartlepool, a former president of the English Indoor Bowling Association, has been appointed to succeed Bernard Telfer, the EIBA secretary.

St Albans excel

Hockey: St Albans, the English champions, made a superb start in the European men's indoor club championship in Vienna. They beat Roma 10-7 in their B division game, with lan Jennings scoring five and Andy Halliday, three.

FOR THE RECORD

BASKETBALL NATIONAL CUP: Semi-finst, second leg: Leicaeter City Riders B1 (Waldron 20, Rickner 15, Harris 12, Brown 12), Themes Vaffey Tigers 101 (Lloyd 31, Paed 28, St Kitts 14, Balogum 12). Tharmes Vaffey win 201-183 on aggregates and meet Kingston in final at Sherffeld on Mar 8. FOOTBALL

zon in final at Sheffield on Mar 8.

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS' CUP: Semifinal series: Pool A: Maccabi Elite (sr)
99, Chone Zagreb (Croatie) 80;
Olympique of Antibes (Fr) 78, Virtus
Bologne 103; Sichoton Dalmacilla (Crothe) 72, Phonola Caserta (In 77 (in La
Corune): Kaler Talifi 86 (Estorie), Barcetora 98; Leading positions: 1, Barcisona,
220ta; 2, Virtus Bologne, 21; 3, Maccabi
Elic, 21. Pool 8: Philips Milan 70,
Estudiantes Machid 65; Partizan Belgrade
93. Bayer Laverkissan 69 (in
Funilabrada): Joventul Bodelona (Sp) 96,
Dan Helder (Nelth) 65: Aris Salonica 86
(Gr), Machelen (Bel) 84. Leading positions: 1, Joventul Bedelona, 220ts; 2,
Partizan Belgrade, 20; 3, Philips Milan, 20.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NEA): Min-Partizan Beigrade, 20; 3, Philips Milan, 20.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NEA): Minnesota Timberwolves 95, Detroit Pistona 93; Miami Heat 121, Atlanta Hawks 115; Chicago Bulfa 105, New York Knicks 95; Milwaukee Bucks 127, Charlotte Hometa 118; Utuh Jazz 37, Los Angeles Lukers 91; Golden State Warriors 109, San Antonio Spure 94

CRICKET : NEW PLYMOUTH, New Zeeland: Third women's Test: Third day: No play, rain (New Zeeland 142; England 228-7).
SHEFFIELD: SHIELD: Second day (of lourt; Melbourne: New South Wales 280 (M Taylor 158; P Reithi 4-59) v Victoria. Hobert: Tasmenia 328-9 dec (R Tucker 75, D Buckingham 71 not out; P Hugchison 5-87), South Australia 142-0 (G Blewent 70 not out, A Hildich 83 not out). Partit: Cuesnsland 207. Western Australia 298-3 (G March 88, M Lavender 69).

CYCLING ARLES, France: Mediterranean Tour-Fourth stage (Vitrolias-Marignane, 77tm): 1, M Cornelisse (Neth), the \$5min \$8sec, 2, JP van Poppel (Neth); 3, E de Wilde (Bel), 4, A Bassi (It): 5, F Moncassin (F): 8, W Veenstra (Neth), as same time. Overall: 1, R Golz (Ger), 12th 12min 14sec, 2, J Nijdam (Neth), as 22min 29ecc;

3, O Ludwig (Ger), same time; 4, M Ženoli (Neth), 22:35; 5, J-C Colotti (Fr), 22:39; 6, Moncassin, same time.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Nottingham Forest 3, Barnsley 2, Second division: Huddensfield 1, Blackpool 0, Biddlestrough 0, Port Vale 1; Scunthorpe 0, Stoke 6, SCHOOLS MATCHES: Adides under-16 trophy: Northumberland 0, Durham 2, Barclays under-19 cup: Second round: Barton Paveril College, Eastisiph 4, S1 Charles College, London 0. EXHIBITION MATCH: United States Olympic Leam 6, Zagleble Lubin (Pol) 1 (In Evoine, France)

NATIONAL LEAGUE (N.R.). Edmonton Oliers 3, Hartford Whalers 1: New Jersey Davils 5, Vancouver Carucies 3; Philadelphia Flyers 3, Quebec Nordiques 2, Mannesota North Stars 6, Winnipeg Japs 1: Los Angeles Kings 2, Chicago Electhawks 2 (OT): St Louis Blues 4, Boston Bruns 0: Calgary Flames 4, Washington Capitals 4

Becker: reached tennis semi-finals in Brussels

GOLF TUCSON, Arizona: Man's tournament: Leading first-round scores (US unless stated): 67: W Britton, T Purtzer. 68: B Gardner, A Sills, B Chambles, C Cooper. 69: D Hart, F Funk, M Hubbert, T Simpson, G Kraft, M Adocok, B Bryant. 70: K Clearwater, R Wrann, J Detsing, H Sutton. L Ten Broack, T Armour, S Palte, T Tymer, J Chaffee, O Browne, D Helikorson (Can) Other: 79: A Lyle (GB). Rain: 66 players yet to complete round

PERTH, Australia: Women's tourn PERTH, Australia: Women's tourns-ment: Leading first-round scores: 67: C Dibneh (Aus) 89: M Bertilshold (Swe) 70: K Mollerstedt (Swe), 71: A Munt (Aus), U Wen-Lun (Taiwan), A Nicholas (GB), E Orley (Swrtz), M Fujisawa (Japan), 72: C Nismark (Swe), D Reed (GB), C Natsuzawa (Japan), K Orum (Den) Others: 73: H Dobson (GB), P Grice-Whittaker (GB), 78: M Garner (Ire)

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YACHTING SAN DIEGO: America's Cup: Defender selection series: Second round-robin: Fifth race (86 Z.m): Stars & Stripes (John Bertrand) to Defient (W Koch), by 65ee Overall positions: 1, America', 12pts; 2, Stars & Stripes. 5; 3, Defient, 2

RUGBY LEAGUE YOUNGERS ALLIANCE CHALLENGE CUP: Second round Leigh 18. Leeds 36. Rochdale 8, Warrington 26

MOTOR RALLYING SWEDISH RALLY: First day (so: special stages, 72.8km), 1, M Jonason (Swe), Toyots, 41mm 50acc; 2, 5 Lindholm (Fin), Ford, 42:12, 3, C McRae (GB), Subaru, 42:33.

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCH: Cambridge University 31, Luddites 12.

SNOOKER NEWPORT: Regal Weish Open: Quarter-finels: J Parroll (Eng) bi W Thorne (Eng) 52, N Bond (Eng) bi J Wattana (Thai), 54

BRUSSELS: Men's indoor tournament: Second round: 1 Lend! (C2) bt G Namewic (Croeles), 6-7, 7-5, 8-4, Novacek (C2) bt Masso (Bel), 6-4, 6-2, S Edbarg (Swe) bt J Stemensk (Neith), 7-5, 6-6, J Gouner (US) bt H Leconie (Fr), 6-4, 7-5, G Forgel (Fr) bt J McEnroe (US), 7-6, 7-8 Leon (G2), 7-6, 7-8, Counter Malls: Becker br C-U Steeb (Ger), 6-3, 7-6; Counter bi A Volkov (CIS), 7-6, 7-8

(CIS), 7-6, 7-6
LRIZ, Austria: Women's tournament:
Second round: C Lindqvist (Swe) bt C
Tanvier (Fr), 6-4, 6-3; C Ponvis (Ger) bt P
Langrova (Cz), 4-8, 6-4, 7-5, M Pierce (Fr)
bt C Kohle-Kilsch (Ger), 5-1, 7-6; P
Peradie-Mangon (Fr) bt J Wiesner (Austra), 6-3, 6-3.

tra), 6-3, 6-3.

MEMPHIS: Men's lournament: Third round: A Ruckstein (US) bit T Woodbridge (Aus), 6-2, 6-2. A Mansdorf (Isr) bit B Gilbert (US), 7-5, 7-8. W Farrews (SA) bit Renoberg (US), 6-2, 4-6, 6-4. M Schapper (Neth) bit J Stottenberg (Aus), 6-1, 6-2, P Haarnus (Neth) bit D Wheaton (US), 4-6, 7-6, 7-5, M Weshington (US) bit M Chang (US), 7-3, 7-6, 1-5, P Sampras (US) bit G Connes (Can), 7-6, 6-1.

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CHICAGO: Women's tournament: Second round: L McNet (US) to G Heigeson (US), 7-5, 8-7, 8-2, A Frazier (US) bit D Graham (US, 4-5, 8-1, Cusrter-finale: S Graf (Ger) by M Bollegrad (Neth), 8-2, 8-1: M Navratilova (US) bit P Shriver (US), 6-2, 7-6

TELFORD: LTA men's satellite tournment: Quarter-finale: S GRB) bit D Garweld (Swo), 7-5, 8-1, A Richardson (GB) bit C Beocher (GB), 7-6, 7-6, D Sapstord (GB) bit C Beocher (GB), 7-6, 7-6, D Sapstord (GB) bit K Uffyett (SA), 7-5, 7-5.

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the latest sample, which has been analysed in Saxony, was made here by Hans Evers, the head of the DSB's anti-drugs commission.

200 metres champion, has sy after she and two other former East German athletes, Silke Möller and Grit Breuer. were all tested at their South

Evers also called on the DSB to make more demanding drugs tests on women in future. Meanwhile, Krabbe's trainer, Thomas Springstein.

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RUGBY UNION 32

French play down talk of revenge in the five nations' championship in Paris

England out to make the running

FROM DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT IN PARIS

IF ENGLAND win at the Parc des Princes here today. the received wisdom has it. then, they will win this season's five nations' rugby union championship and a second successive grand slam. Only the regrouping Welsh, at Twickenham. would stand in their way and these days their prospects are

How times have changed. Not only in regard to Welsh rugby but to the French game too: it is not so long ago that a sunny day's training in Ver-sailles, such as yesterday's. would have produced nervous quips about Paris in the spring and its beneficial effects on French back play. Now it is the English who arrive for the 68th game in the series oozing confidence, the French who ponder their place in the hierarchy.

It is a confidence born of achievement: even four months ago it was not present to the same extent and the overt aggression and provocative play of the World Cup quarter-final in Paris was the consequence of two teams nervous of each other. Will Carling and Philippe

Sella, the respective captains, are in agreement about that match, which projected England towards the World Cup final and some famous French names into retirement. "We had a lot to prove," Carling said yester-day. "We had not found our form in the tournament and we had to find it then. The only similarity is that now we will need to play our best

rugby if we are to win." Sella eschews talk of revenge. "There is no comparison between the quarter-final and this match. This is not a knockout game but is part of a championship and for this French team, which has been together only six weeks, the important thing is the future." Parisians, therefore, have been told more of French successes at Albertville and of their football team going to Wembley next week than of any great expecta-

tions for les rugbymen. French squad has emphasised the need for discipline. Pierre Berbizier, the coach, watching the match against Wales on video with his players, spotted a couple of punches being thrown and immediately sat down with



the offending player to tell him the error of his ways. Thus far, there has been more gratuitous inflammatory talk coming from England.

Of greater interest is the tactical approach that should bring England their fourth successive victory over France. The right wings, Saint-André and Halliday, may be fit but it is the strong men of the centre who will control the destiny. Will Berbizier's forward selection prove astute or will Carling's men run with the same brio as against Ireland?

French interests suggest that they want the ball kept in play, to keep set pieces to a minimum, to use the mauling strength of their tight for wards to create the advantage from which Cabannes and van Heerden can cause chaos for their backs to exploit. The three men of Begles have been retained so the tortoise — la tortue beglaise — will creep forward once more and it is that expectation which persuaded England to recall Dean Richards.

But since England will go for the more ordered approach, as is their way, Richards is also there to tidy up possession at lineout, scrum and in the tackle. In the first two areas, against Scotland and Ireland, there was a lack of control which has been frustrating, even if the inte-gration of two newcomers, Bayfield and Rodber, has partially accounted for it.

Rob Andrew will surely kick more frequently than he did against Ireland, which was a game that evolved from that madcap start. "We have championship but we have yet to play our best," Carling said. "Whatever our record in Paris may be, you don't come here taking a win for granted.

"You adopt a different game plan for different teams. It's a worry that we

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Helping hand: Richards finds support from his England team-mate, Probyn, left, in lineout practice during the build-up st France in Paris

don't know much about their new players and how they are likely to use them. It's probably the first time for years that we are here with people expecting us to win and that's a position the French will

But English players enjoy the Parc the surface is good for the running game and, in advantage of their talented backs as well as their experienced forwards. Should they do so, they will create conditions for the spectacle which Berbizier, for one, seeks.

It is necessary, he says, to have a great tournament between great teams and he may have been perplexed to be quizzed so frequently on violence. "I am not here to reassure the English about the rugby they will get."
"We want a team that will

make an impression within the rules of this combative sport. This is the determining factor for the future of European rugby, because a great-match does so much for the

Sella's mission, page 32 Irish optimistic, page 32

France : J-B Lafond	15	Full Back	England J M Webb	15
(Racing Club) P Saint-André (Montferrand)	14	Right wing	(Beth) S J Halliday (Harlequine)	14
"P Sella (Agen)	13	Right centre	*W.D.C Carling (Harlequine)	13
F Mesnel (Racing Club)	12	Left centre	J C Guscott	. 12
S Viars (Brive)	11	Left wing	R Underwood (RAF/Leicester)	17
A Penaud (Brive)	10	Stand off		10
F Gaithié (Colomiers)	9	Scrum half	C D Morris	. 9
G Lascubé (Agen)	1	Prop.	J Leonard ,	1
/ Moscato (Bigles)	. 2	Hooker	B C Moore	2
Gimbert (Bègles)	3	Prop ·	J A Probyn (Wasps)	3
J-F Tordo (Nice)	6	Flanker	M G Skinner (Harisquina)	. 6
M Cécillon (Bourgoin)	. 4	Lock	M C Bayfield (Northempton)	4
C Mougeot (Bégies)	5	Lock	W A Dooley (Presion G'hoppers)	. 5
Cabannes (Racing Club)	7	Flanker	P J Winterbottom (Hariequins)	7,.
(Tarbea)	8	No 8	D Richards	8

Referee: S R Hilditch (Ireland REPLACEMENTS: 16 J-L Serdoumy (Colomieus): 17 P Montéeur (Agen): 18 A Husber (Toulon): 19 J-M Cadleu (Toulouse): 20 O Roumat (Dex): 21 P Gellent (Béclere) REPLACEMENTS: 18 N J Healop (Omel);
17 D Pears (Herlequins); 18 R HM (Buth);
19 M P Hysse (Ornel); 20 C J Ohver (Northampton); 21 T A K Rodber (Army/Northampton).

Last October's meeting in the World Cup quarter-fines was the 67th international between Eng-77th international between Eng-and and France, of which England have won 36 and France 24. ☐ Results over the last decade: 1982: France 15, England 27, 1983: England 15, France 19, 1984: France 32, England 18, engand 13, France 19, 1988; France 10, England 9, 1988; England 11, France 0, 1990; France 7, England 26, 1991; England 21, France 19; France 10

☐ England's biggest winning mar-gin was by 37-0 at Twickenham in 1911; the French equivalent was by 25 points chang the 37-12 defeat in Paris in 1972.

The Individual points record in the five nations' championship was held by Dan Lambert in the 1911 match against France until Jonathon Webb also scored 22 ☐ Today Webb becomes England's most-capped (ull back with 26, overtaking Dusty Hare, and Dean Richards becomes the

most-capped. No. 8 with 32, overtaking John Scott. England have won the last four matches between the countries, a feat previously accomplished between 1923-6. England won the first 11 Internationals played but France cirew in 1922 and geined their first victory in 1927.

SHE BEATHER ON SAUBOAY Jumpers' hopes soar

THE Winter Olympics is all jolly worthy, but where, the world asks, is Britain's No. I ski jumper? Where, oh where, is James Lambert? Or Alan Jones? They both have a case for claiming, morally at least, to be the Brits' king of the hill. Ever since the excitements of Calgary, Lambert and Jones have been itching for a chance to beat Eddie Edwards in competition. None, of course, has made it to Albertville

Eddie and his agent have attempted to get the Eagle relaunched, and they reopened relations with the British Ski Federation. The upshot was that Eddie went to train with Lambert and Jones in Germany, with plans for all three to take part in a regional competition — a deadly serious contest-within-a-contest among the three Brits.

Eddie turned up but did not take part.

He still holds the British record of 75 metres from the 90-metre hill in Calgary. Lambert and Jones have been unable to acquire decent experience on the 90-metre hill. That is why Eddie's record stands and why neither Jones nor Lambert could win selection for the Olympics.

However, the Lowlanders ski jumping championships are set for March 6, and both the top Brits will be there. I don't know about Eddie.

Rhyme time

WHAT about that glorious celebration of the human spirit that was the opening ceremony of the Winter Olympics in Albertville? "A tropical island, the

feared barracuda, Will they ski like they swim? Meet the team from

"The fact that they're here sounds a brand new So we're proud that

they're here, the team from Estonia." "They're ready to fly,

their step is so perky. Please welcome the team competing from Turkey." "Competitors nimble

and quick as the wind, Let's here the applause for the great Swaziland." "Oh what a roar, to some it's a mania,

Cheering the team from

far Lithuania.' For the first time in living memory, this column is lost for words.

This is no bull

I BRING you news of a new sport footbull. This is not a printing error. It is played in Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil, and it is a sport in which two teams of Il try to kick a ball into a goal. It is rather like another Brazilian game, except that there are also two bulls on the pitch. The game is divided into quarters: a fresh pair of buils four times a game. Well, it must be less dangerous than playing Wimbledon.



Rugby league knows its place

KATE Hoey. Labour MP and raiser of sporting issues, recently asked Archie Hamilton what financial support was given to rugby league in the armed forces. None, was the answer. "There is insufficient support for the playing of rugby league to warrant its recognition as an official sport." Well, she asked, what sports do get financial backing? She received a list of 35 sports. These include netball rounders and model aircraft.

Meanwhile, I have another suggestion for the list of forgotten honours. Peter Grundy proposes one of the greatest rugby players of all time. Billy Boston. League, of course, hence the omission. And Wigan, of course. Sorry, no peer jokes: arise Sir Billy, Knight of This Column.

Aural assault Frank riposte

I WOULD like to annouce a special award to Grandstand. It is called the alienate-a-viewer award, for its achievement in putting together the nastiest blend of sport and music I have experienced. The choice of what seems the sound-track for a migraine to stress the delights of rugby union and cricket seems designed to send anybody over the age of 14

diving for the zapper.

MUSIC and sport have a different relationship in Italy. Can you imagine, say, Bobby Charlton roundly booed on a visit to Covent Garden Opera House? Franco Zeffirelli, former director of Fiorentina, was first night of his production of La Boheme in Rome this week. He responded with a twin-fingered salute (le coma), followed up with a classical clenched fist, and then explained: "It was just communists and a few Juventus fans."

Pringle fulfils potential

DEREK Pringle, as unassuming a character as the game of cricket possesses, is fast emerging as an influential figure in England's countdown to the World Cup, just one week away.

For a man who made his Test debut ten years ago at the age of 23, Pringle is only now playing the sort of cricket expected of him since his days as a dominant member of the Cambridge University XI. His bowling has matured. gaining penetration with the vears, and he is finally beginning to bat with the authority of a powerful man.

Dermot Reeve was a worthy winner of the man-of-thematch award in Dunedin on Wednesday, but it was Pringle who struck the decisive blows in the late stages, never wasting a ball. And, although he took only one wicket, his bowling has made a significant impression on his captain, Graham Gooch.

It has not gone unnoticed by Gooch that the white balls, two of which will be used per innings in the World Cup. swing liberally, nor that Pringle seems the England bowler best equipped to put that to advantage.

Although intent on keeping every option open, game by

game, Gooch is inclined to give Pringle the new ball, even in a full-strength attack. which was still not available for today's game at Lancaster Park because of Phillip DeFreitas's prolonged groin trouble.

There are players for whom one is instinctively pleased when things go right, and Pringle belongs in this caregory. He spent some years as the butt of cruel spectator humour, and there have been times when his cricket has been cumbersome and diffident. Through it all, he has retained the phlegmatic out-



Pringle: key figure

look of a thoroughly nice guy. On tour, he is a moulding influence within the team. Socially nomadic, he flits contentedly from group to group and frequently does his own thing, perusing second-hand record shops for obscure rock music LPs or seeking out offbeat subjects to photograph. which he will pedantically take only in black-and-white.

Pringle, like everybody else. was rendered inactive yesterday morning by the weather, which forced England to postpone their planned net. Gladstone Small, on his

first full day here, was restricted to a run round the outfield and a fitting for his coloured kit, but he returned to the ground to bowl in affections sunshine and was still expected to play today,

New Zealand have so far taken only two-thirds of their budgeted income for this tour and the Christchurch Test match was yesterday cited by the Board chairman, Peter McDermott, as the loss-lead-er. Unless a decent crowd turned up today - and neither the weather forecast nor the pre-determined result of the series was a good portern

will be pressing for the most

important matches.

Forest. - other provincial centres

Injury to Mabbutt worries Shreeves

BY CLIVE WHITE

GARY Mabbutt, the Tottenham Hotspur central defender, may have to be withdrawn from the England squad for the game against France at Wembley next Wednesday if he does not make better progress in his recovering from a knee ligament injury.

He has not played since being injured against Oldham Athletic three weeks and is doubtful for tomorrow's match against Crystal Palace at White Hart Lane. Mabbutt played in England's last two matches, against Turkey and Poland.

Unlike some other clubs, Tottenham do not bar their players from international duty if they are unfit to turn out for the club on the weekend before internationals. But Spurs are concerned about Mabbutt's long-term fitness and would like to ensure his complete recovery in time for the second leg of their Rumbelows Cup semifinal against Nottingham

"Gary's 90 per cent fit." Peter Shreeves, the Tottenham manager, said. "He was keen to play in the first leg against Forest last Sunday but did not want to let the side

down. Since then he has done only light training.
"Graham Taylor rang me last Sunday and I told him that, in my opinion, there

Gary's fitness, and it is still possible that I could be right." Jan Eriksson, the Swedish defender who has been on trial at Tottenham for the past week, has returned to his

would be no doubt about

club. Norrkoping, who do not wish to sell him until the end of the season. Shreeves said: "He did well, but one would expect that from a Swedish international. It was a chance to have a

look at what might be on offer as and when funds are avail-Dean Saunders, the Liverpool and Wales player, has been charged with miscon-. duct by the FA following an incident during the FA Cup tie against Bristol Rovers at

Twerton Park when a television camera appeared to catch him in the act of elbowing Ian Alexander. Neither Brian Hill, the referee, nor his linesmen saw the alleged offence.

Happy Taylor, page 33

IOC approves special bob helmet logo La Plagne: The



Moore writes).

Olympic Committee last night Olympic Commitgranted special dispensation for BMW helmets to be worn in today's two-man bobsleigh event, although they contravene the Olympic rules about logos (Chris

This followed a plea from Klaus Kotter, the president of International Bobsleighing and Toboggan-ing Federation (FIBT), to the IOC. BMW has provided those teams using its helmets with a car for the season and

also supplies vehicles to the FIBT officials. According to IOC rules, sponsors are not allowed to advertise at the Games. The bobsleigh helmets have the BMW logo on the front.

The IOC committee ruled the helmets could be worn for both the two and four man competitions, at La Plagne, but thatwarned that this exception could not be interpreted "in any way" as a recedent for future Games.



WEEKEND TIMES

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15 1992

A countryman fights back



ountry-dwellers will be overjoyed to hear that the That centuries-old romance of the British scribbling classes with glade and glen, fell and fen seems to be shedding its Wordsworthian gloss. Wandering lonely as a cloud

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as a bit of a drag. In the last two years, countless famous scribes have described their discontent with the muddy paths, aggressive farmers, poor restaurants and uninspiring society of locals they discovered when they moved to the country, and, shaking the dung from their wellies and leaving their waxed cotton coats for sale at the village fête, they have headed back to the

In the early and mid-1980s some of those same names were filling columns declaring that the difficulties of finding a parking space or a reliable narmy had made life in the city impossible. In the next breath, they then wrote articles celebrating their move to the honeysuckle-scented cottage. the heart-warming financial deal they did in exchanging the maisonette in Clapham for the

shepherd's cottage on the moors.

the eternal values of rural schools

and of easy parking at the village It didn't last. By the turn of the decade, metropolitan writers' honeyed lines of love and jubilant selfsatisfaction had soured. Stephen Pile lasted about five months in his rural fastness before he turned it in and penned a cracking piece of sarcasm about the boredom of country life. Lynn Barber only had to spend a weekend in the country, discovering that some people there unashamedly enjoy fox-hunting and don't mind saying so, to conclude that Fleet Street marked

the outer boundary of civilisation. In the early 1980s Nigel Hamilton ploughed much of the seedcom he had garnered from his biography of Montgomery into a hall of a house in mid-Suffolk. By 1987 he and his family were back in Pimlico, central London. The following year they took off for

The phenomenon, if it be that, ments encouragement, consolidation and extension. The fewer urbanites who take it into their heads to flee this way, the better. For those (why should I pretend to speak for others? I speak for myself) who make their lives in the countryside and endure its deprivations for the sake of its pleasures, nothing is more vexing than the arrival of city migrants who say that they have come "to

on recharging their batteries, wishes they would see the reality of country life and all go home countryside requires nothing of its

into the mains supply.

Daytrippers, weekenders, holidaymakers or would-be residents alike, the dead batteries exhaust the patience of those who realise the benefits of country living in the anti-metropolitan pursuit of serious solitude, together with the continuous, active development of

in the country. Those benefits are not returned from the countryside in a weekend, a few weeks, or even a year or two. As a rough rule of thumb it

interests that can only be followed

takes seven years of concentrated effort and thought to come completely to terms with a garden and all its contents, with the lie of its land and the qualities of its soil, with the pat-tern of its colours and the balance of its shapes. Gardening in any shorter time is not much more than the dressing of window boxes. It is not

Unless it is invested by its inhabitant with passionate enthusiasm, expressed in dedicated activity, the

countryside is nothing more than an ornate tableau of twee, green decoration - one which describes a pattern of ownership rather than the hand of God.

You can't make the most of the country unless you love being alone, and/or you care enough about gardens or birds, boats or horses, shooting or fishing. You have to want to spend the most energetic years of an adult life cultivating the knowledge and understanding of exclusively rural industriousness. If these absorptions are not your speed, you had better stay away. You may count on one certainty: you won't find

friends here. On a mid-winter morning some vears ago, I took a Hollywood producer and his wife to my favourite beach, a mile from our house. While I gave them myroutine speech about the two centuries of redundant military

poleonic, Imperial German, Nazi despairingly at the bleak banks of shingle and the cold inhospitality

of the North Sea.

"What do you do for friends here?" he asked. He quickly found his own answer: "Nobody in their right mind, I guess, would come here for society."

The best time in the country is

when the dead batteries of urban society transport themselves to other, more distant, spots for revivification: that time is now. Those who impose upon them-selves solitary confinement in the

cormorant jetted its undeviating flight down the middle of the river oove the water.

In four months, after Easter, that bird will have to fly a tortuous multiple chicane through and among the masts of boats at their moorings. The yachties and the cruisers, the yellow wellies and the nautical caps will have returned for their plundering, honking, hooting pleasures and a passage down the river will, again, be like driving down the M25 on bank

The publicans will paste on their pecuniary grins: the rest of us -locals, as they call us - will sulk.

After Easter, we rural solitaries withdraw into our gardens or let our houses to holidaymakers, and sail away for the summer. Outnumbered by a thousand to one, we know we're temporarily licked. Our surrender, however, is expedient: we also know that we will resume title to the countryfrosts and fogs re-

The invasion of the rownies would be more welcome if it did not carry with it a flood of sanctimonious preaching about the virtues and

ways of its inhabitants. It is more than mildly galling to go to the pub or the post office and find oneself on the receiving end of a lecture from a stranger, deliv-ered with missionary zeal, on the horrors of blood sports. When the visitor is clad in a soft leather jacket and has just purchased a ham sandwich or a chunk of steak. I usually find myself saying that a society that annually butchers half a billion terrified and screaming animals for human consumption is displaying an odd sense of moral values when it gets more excited about the plight of the few hun-dred or few thousand foxes killed

the vices of the countryside and the

every year by hunts. Being a lover of horses but not, generally, of huntsmen, I do not hunt. I feel that I fully understand the attraction of the chase across open country and the pleasures

nt with mus doesn't seem much to ask that we for which agricultural unions struggled for 150 years have been swept away in the last decade. should also be left alone by those who tramp on to our patch, intent on our conversion and salvation,

yet are cluciess about our ways. A similar measure of exasperating incomprehension frustrates conversations between townies and locals over the working of the land. Very few town people have realised that a technological and economic revolution has overtaken the farming industry in the last decade, bringing social and agricultural changes as great as the slaughter of the working

horses half a century ago. The scale of this revolution can be grasped if we say that it matches the contemporaneous transformation of the print industry, with the introduction of the new technology which made the old craft unions redundant.

🖪 hat revolution in printing has received a thousand times the attention that has been given to the present-day agricultural revolution — chiefly, it appears to me. because the scribbling classes are more concerned with their own business.

Ten years ago each of the three big farms that lie around my village employed about 16 workers. In consequence, the village was genuinely a farming community and the farmers still occupied a squire-archical social role, organising fêtes and barn dances. ties. Today, each one of those farms employs two or three work-ers. Hundreds of their acres have been "set aside" or sub-let to pig breeders. Their remaining land is worked by the vast machines the farmers bought in the 1980s and now struggle to pay for, or it is managed by contracted firms of agents who, in turn, employ their own sub-contractors and casual

Convulsive social consequences have resulted from these unheralded changes. The village is no longer a farming community. More teachers live here now than

farm workers. The farmers have abandoned their squire-archical role and appear to be beleaguered. We hardly ever see them, except when they are hurtling along the lanes in

BEDTIME STORY

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bed? Kay Maries goes

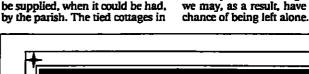
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which they might have been born have been done up and let to incomers, holidaymakers or dead batteries, leaving the locals to find a council house or to shack up with family. Guaranteed wages, pencompensation have largely been eliminated from the industry

Next to none of th have been considered important by the urban-dominated national media. The broad touth is that townies do not wish to know about the realities of life in the country.

The absence of care, however, is not what gets on country people's nerves. It is the flightiness of flirtatious interests that gets us down. Nothing could be more pleasing than the prospect, as it appears, that the one-sided flirtation may now be ending, and that we may, as a result, have a better chance of being left alone.



field to field to drag out another

Most of the benefits and securities

Crop-pickers and field workers,

usually women, are now hired by

the week or the hour in the

summer and are despatched to the

Their financial uncertainties to-

day are much the same as those of

their 19th-century ancestors, with

the difference that the dole used to

dole in the winter.

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One afternoon this week I walked with the dogs for more than an hour beside the river and over the heath to the Sutton Hoo burial site, and saw nobody. A single tractor and trailer were moving on the fields, never less than a mile away. The water was deserted from the Woodbridge harbour clear down the 11 miles to Felixstowe ferry and the North

to be here.

Refugee: Neil Lyndon enjoying the calm before the invasion

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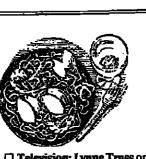
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ionathan Meades salutes a chef who could finally teach his grandmother how to suck eggs — in a Gascon accent

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Alan Hamilton salutes the massive majesty of Durham cathedral as it prepares for the 900th birthday celebrations

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BARTUN FINK (15): The Coen brothers' membleus macabre comedy about a New York playwrigh, sli st sea in 1940s Hollywood, Staming John Turtures Asia Socimen A triple onze with a st year's Gate (Ci :: 727 4043) Lumière (071-836 0697) acreen on the Hill (071-435 3366).

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A suicy encounter in Star Trek: Turata stars as Martia

COUPÉ LE VILLE (12) Three warring orbinets travel cross-country in a 1954 Cadillac. Breezy blend of road movie, male nostaldia, With Patrick Demosev. Arye Gress, Daniel Stern, director, Joe Stath Cannos Págicos Street (071-

DELICATESSEN (15): French video whitzkids Jeunet and Caro's about a nouseful of tenants living above a cantibalistic butcher. With Dominique Pinon, Marie-Laur Dougrac.

Cannons: Chelsea (071-352 5096) Totter nam Court Road (071-636 5145) Metro (071-437 0757) Sc. see on Baker Street (071-935 27.72).

THE FAVOUN, THE WATCH AND THE VERY BIG FISH (15): Frisky ಮತೀವಿಗಳ about a French 10% coaracher of devotions scenes (Ecc Hoskins) struggling to lind his Christ. With Jeff Goldown. Natasha Richardo. C. difector, Ben Lewin Odeci. Asymmetet (0426 915353)

FOR THE BUTS (15). Songand dance ream entertain troops three wats, only to be rusted by a synthesic script. With Bette Midler, Jepsa Caan, director. Odecada Newsington (0426

914666) West End (0426 915574) and Robert Lindsay in Whitelevs (071-792 3332) Anouith's play on the relationship FRANKIE AND JOHNNY (15): between Thomas à Becket and Henry II. Short-order cook (Al Pacino) courts a wary waitress (Michelle Pfeiffer). Synthetic adaptation of SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat. 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. Terrence McNally's play. Director, Garry Marshall Barbican (071-638 8891)

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Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

HORS LA VIE (15). Masterly

Hippolyte Girardot: director.

Maroun Bagdadi. Cannon Tottenham Court

Road (071-636 6148)

JFK (15): Oliver Stone's

bustling supporting cast.

Camden Parkway (071-267

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LITTLE MAN TATE (PG). How

An engaging young player (Adam Hann Byrd) and sensible

Irrection (Jodie Foster) easily

THE PLEASURE PRINCIPLE

ndering journalist (Peter

Firth). Flawed comedy that seems

left over from the Swinging Sixtes: writer-director David

PROBLEM CHILD II (PG):

Cannons: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Piccadilly (071-437 3561).

Dismal sequel to an already dire original, with Michael Oliver

(the divorced dad), and much

on Oxford Street (071-

MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031)

STAR TREK VI: THE UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY

(PG) So farewell, then, Kirk

mongers in their last screen

Cannons: Baker Street (071-

2636) Empire (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

URGA (PG). Nikita Mikhalkov's.

last year's Venice Film Festival.

mesmerising film about civilisation encreaching on the Mongolian steppes. The top prize-winner at

Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865)

LES VALSEUSES (18). Gérard

1974, as two lads with idle

Blier's ferocious, amoral,

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krauts up to their familiar antics

for a lour-week season. Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-

Thurs. 8pm, Fn and Sat 5.30pm

BECKET: Riveling performances from Derek Jacobi

Timely revival of Bertrand

and Spock, battling galaxy war-

adventure. Underwhelming, but

Shatner, Leonard Nimov: director.

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contentious, electrifying, three

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in the turmoil of Seirut. Starring

LA BETE: Bravura performance by Alan Cumming in a strance Mokère parody: eccentric but clever. Street, W6 (081-741 2311), Mon-Sat. 7.45pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 4pm. account of a French hostage's life

THE COTTON CLUB: An unpression of the Harlem ntspot: high on energy, low on story freshness. Aldwych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404), Mon-Fri, 7.30pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 2 30pm,

DANCING AT LUGHNASA: Brian Friel's Olivier Award-winning memory-play, set in 1930s Garrick, Charing Cross Road.

WC2 (071-494 5085), Mon-Sat,

8pm, mais Thurs, 3pm, Sai, 4pm.

THE GIGLI CONCERT: Barry Foster is obsessed with making an Irish millionaire (Tony Doyle) into the new Gigli in Tom Murphy's powerful fable. Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, Bpm, mat

GOOD ROCKIN' TONITE: Satisfying musical celebrating Fifties and Sixtles pop classics. Great stuff. Strand, Aldwych, WC2 (071-240 0300). Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri.

Sat, 5.30pm and 8.30pm. DEATH AND THE MAIDEN: Juliet Stevenson, Bill Paterson and Michael Byrne in West End transfer of Anel Dorfman's ... exceptionally powerful play concerned with the trauma of torture. Best play of 1991. Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Previews tonight, Mon, 8pm. Opens Tues, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat,

MURMURING JUDGES: David Hare tackles our rotting legal system: gaps in the contest but National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Yonight, Man. 7 15pm, mat today, 2pm.:

8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat. 4pm.

THE NIGHT OF THE IGUANA: Altred Molina and a superb Eileen Alkins in Tennessee Williams's late play on the various effects of National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Mon-Thurs, 7.30pm, mat Thurs, 2.15pm



Ian McKellen plays Uncle Vanya in a new production

PYGMIES IN THE RUNS: Ron Hutchinson's stirring drama, first seen at the Lyric Theatre. Belfast, explores two violen deaths in the city, separated Roval Court, Stoane Square. Thurs-Sat, 8pm Opens Feb 24. SOPHISTICATED LADIES:

Twelve singer-dancers whire through the music of Duke Ellinaton, Obvious routines ca disguse the true rueful Duke Globe. Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065) Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat. 8 30pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat. 5pm

A SWELL PARTY: Four singers, two pianists in likeable tribute to Cole Porter's wit and wry melodies. Vaudeville, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987) Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8 30pm, mats Wed, 2 30pm,

TALKING HEADS: Patricia Routledge and Alan Bennett excellent in three of his monologues charting the unconscious humour and pair Comedy, Fanton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045) Mon-Sat, 8pm mats Wed. 3pm. Sat. 4pm UNCLE VANYA: Ian McKellen. Antony Sher, Lesley Sharp in promising new version from Pam Gems, directed by Sean

National (Cottesion), South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 2252) Previews from Thurs-Sat. 7 30pm, mai Sat, 2.30pm. Opens REGIONAL

BOLTON: Revival of Spring and Port Wine to celebrate the life of local author Bill Naughton who died last month. Three former Coronation Street actors in the cast, the cal to be played on different nights by Woterl and

Octagon, Howell Croft South (0204 20661) Preview Wed. 7 30pm Opens Thurs, 7 30pm Then Mon-Sat, 7 30pm. GLASGOW: New season

begins with Niagara, two-hander between Houdini and a young admirer (Third Theatre): 1953. Craig Raine's update of Racine s Andromache (Second Theatre), and P.G. Wodehouse's Summer Lightning, adapted by Giles Havergal (First Theatre) Citizens Theatre, Gorbais (041 429 0022) Niagara, preview Tues opens Wed 1953

preview Wed, opens Thurs Summer Lightning, preview
Thurs, opens Fr. All performances Mon Sal. 7 30pm MANCHESTER: Michael Sheen woos Kate Byers in Gregory Hersoy's production of Romeo and Juliet in a theatre-in-the-round Adrift in Hollywood: John Turturro stars as Barton Fink (seated), and Jon Polito as Lou Breeze Hall, Croydon (081-688 9291), next funk, plays in this country for the

Royal Exchange, St Ann's Square (061-833 9833). Mon-Thurs, 7.30pm, Fn, Sat, 8pm, mats Ned, 2 30pm, Sat, 4pm.

CLASSICAL ROYAL SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA: Another enterprising programme by the RSO under Matthias Barnert this week. This one consists of Schoenberg's Verklärte Nacht hoven's Symphony No 5 and Britten's Diversions, Op 21, for plano (left hand only) and orchestra, composed in America in 1940. Planist Paul Crossley is oloist. Tonight, meanwhile Glaswegians can hear the same orchestra and conductor in James MacMillan's concertante work The Berserking, with Peter Donohoe as the plane solois! Royal Concert Hall. Glascow (041-227 5511), tonight and next Sat. 7.30pm. Usher Hall. Edinburgh (031-228 1155), Fri,

MUSIC

ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: Sian Edwards, recently appointed to be the National Opera, takes the programme which includes the world premiere of Howard npton's *The Light Fantastic* and Michael Berkeley's Clarinet Concerto (with Emma Johnson). There is also David Matthews's Introit, Bartók's Divertimento fo strings and Kurt Wedl's Second Symphony, Civic Theatre, Chelmsford

(0245 495028), tomorrow, 7.30pm. Barbican Centre, London EC2 (071-638 8891), Mon. 7.45pm HALLE: Peter Frankl joins Stanislaw Skrowaczewski and the Hallé in a solid evening of Brahms He tackles the mountainous solo part in the First Plano Concerto, and afterwards the orchestra gets to grips with the lough but inspiring First Symphony
Free Trade Hall, Manchester

(061-834 1712), tomorrow, 7 30pm. Barbican Hall, Silk Street, London EC2 (071-638 8891). Wed. 7 45pm **BBC SYMPHONY** ORCHESTRA: An ingenious piece of programme planning from the BBCSO brings together Stravinsky's 1947 ballet Orpheus and the 1934 melodrama Persephane David Atherton conducts, while John Aler is the tenor (and, presumably, the speaker of Gide's elaborate text) in Persechane, for which work the orchestra is also joined by the BBC Singers and Symphony Chorus and the New London Children's

Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800), Wed,

MOSCOW STATE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: The orchestra takes temporary respite from the problems at home and arrives in London with a programme of Rimsky Korsakov (the Suite from The Golden Cockerel). Rachmaninov (*Paganini Rhapsod*y) and Shostakovich (the powerful Tenth Symphony) Derek Han is the conducts Dates in Birmingham Northampion Plymouth Bristol, Nottingham and Leeds to follow: Barbican Centre, Silk Street Landon EC2 (071-638 8891). Fri.

ORCHESTRA: Yet another periodslyle band appears on the scene. This one is devoted to Romanho music and its first lwo concerts are both conducted by James Judd The one at St John's for strings only, includes the Serenades by Dvorák Elgar and Tchaikovsky, and Vaughan Williams s Fantasia on a Theme of Thomas Talks, while in Croydon they will add to Dvorak's Serenade the same composer & New Warld Symphony and Bruch's G minor Violin Concerto, with Ernsl Kovacic St John's. Smith Square London SW1 (071-222 1061). Fri.

7 30cm Fairfield Concert

NEW OLIEEN'S HALL

-Sat, 8pm. first time as part of Brighton's

OPERA PELLEAS ET MELISANDE:

This new production by Peter Stair of Debussy's masterpiece brings one of its most revealing interpreters, Pierre Boulez, to the Cardiff pit. He conducts a cast including Alison Hagley, Neill Archer and Donald Maxwell. Not to New Theatre, Cardill (0222 394844), Fri, 7.15pm

opera, with its themes of innocence as powerless victim of circumstance, discrimination. misunderstanding, and indectones of hi (stressed more in some productions than others) opens at Scottish Opera. This production is Graham Vick's, revived by Paul Maloney. The cast includes Nigel Robson as Vere, Simon Keenlyside as Billy and Gidon Saks as Claggart. Richard Arrastrono conducts. Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041-332 9000), Wed and next Sat. 7.15pm.

JUNE TABOR: The exceptional this intimate venue. Although she has recently enjoyed a more up tempo, rockier image with the Oyster Band, she is at her best, as here, with minimal accompan Jacksons Lane Community Centre, London N6 (081-340 5226), today, 8prn.

POWER OF DREAMS: The Irish Indie-rockers begin a sweaty, six-week tour of smaller venues. Less manic and punky than they were, the PODs still provide a great, straight-ahead, gurtar-base

Old Trout, Windsor (0753 869897), today, 8,30pm. Barrel Organ, Birmingham (021 4440951), lomorrow, 8pm Princess Charlotta, Leicester (0533 553956), Mon, 8.30pm Riverside, Newcastle (091 2614386), Wed. 7,30pm Fat Sams, Dundee (0382) 26836). Thurs, 10 30pm King Tuts, Glasgow (041 2215279). Fn. 9pm

<u>JAZZ</u> BRIGHTON JAZZ BOP: American organist, Johnn Hammond, the epitome of jazz

the bill are the exciting acid jazzers, Brand New Heavies, introducing their new singer N'Dea Davenport, plus man of the moment London Guitarist. Ronny Jordan, and the Latin outlit, Snowboys Descarga Jazz The Event, Brighton (0273

DANCE

A STRANGER I CAME: As

732627), Fri, 8pm.

part of a triple bill. English No Ballet presents the world nere of a new work by Rober North, Entitled A Stranger I Came, the piece is set to Schubert songs and is designed by Andrew Storer Following its premiere in Cambridge. A Stranger i Came will be perfo on ENB's small scale spring our. Opens on Tuesc Arts Theatre, 6 St Edward's Passage, Camondge (0223) 352000) Tues-next Sat, 8pm. mats Thurs, next Sat, 2.30pm **CUMBRE FLAMENCA:** This troupe of flamenco dancers makes following its self-out season there er of 1990. The Andalusian dancers, musiciani and singers each perform with an individual style, though they all possess the passionate and dramatic style of flamenco. The company opens a two-week season on Tuesday. Sadjer's Wells, Rosebery

EXHIBITIONS

Avenue, London EC1 (071-278

8916) Tues-next Sal, 7 30pm.

NEW DISPLAYS 1992: Under Nicholas Serota the new year's rehang at the Tate is becoming an eagerly awaited annual event What seems to have been arrived at is a happy comprom between permanent display and constantly changing exhibition. Highlights this year include rooms devoted to such subjects as the British Surreairs's, Hogarth and his Circle, and Post-War Abstraction -Paris, es well as a re-examina of the British kitchen sink Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 1313) Mon-Sat.

EVENINGS OUT

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6 I enjoy going to the National Theatre because it's always such a total experience. Music students play in the foyer and there is usually an exhibition of modern art as well. There is always at least one tremendous play on at the National, and they have a very nice restaurant called Ovations overlooking the Thames. Your car can be parked right underneath the building (in an NCP car-park), and the whole evening is hassle free. I went to the preview of The Night of the Iguana. The acting was superb. You could actually feel the steaming tropical heat coming from the stage. You really felt boiling. It was amazing. I'm going to see The Madness of George the III and The Wind in the Willows. The last film I saw was JFK, which I thought was absolutely fantastic. Whether fact or fiction, the film is totally engrossing and raises all the questions that you've asked yourself. Was it really possible for one man to have carried out the assassination of JFK? 9

10am-5 30pm, Sun. 2-5 30pm. from February 18 until early 1993 JENNIFER DURRANT: The Barbican Centre is celebrating its First of the shows commemorating the occasion is that devoted to Shine and about 40 other paintings by Jenniler Dumani Characteristically, they are abstracts with mystical overtones, working in sequences where particular colours and shapes are progressively harmonies and hinted significances Concourse Gallery, Barbican Centre, London EC2 (071-638 41411. Mon-Sat. 10am-7 30pm,

Sun, midday-7,30cm, from February 20 to March 24. DOUBLETAKE: The general subject of this large international show is "Collective Memory and Current Art". Even the renowned for his writings on collective memory in architecture, and the 22 artists included are all very conscious of living in and on the mass media's vast store of shared expenences. Works are inside the Hayward and scattered around in the open: the media are Needlepoint views of Australian monuments? It will be interesting to see what memory tapped into. Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (071-261 0127) Daily,

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THE BROTHERS ROBINSON: older brothers Thomas Heath illustrators. Though Heath Robinson (i.e., William) entered th dictionary as a synonym for gimcrack, fantasticated machinery, and made most of his later fame and fortune from pursuing these more eccentric interests he was also an exquisite draughtsman and a charming author for children. Charles was of a more infly fantasy, and Thomas the most robust. An unusual pleasure to meet them Chris Beetles, 8 & 10 Ryder Street, London SW1 (071-839 7551) Mon-Sat, 10am-5 30pm.

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good week for fishermen and natural history buffs. On Wednesday there is a Hardy rod among the antiques in Cooper Hirst's Chelmsford sale, 10 30am, and a taxidermy section at the same time with Giles-Haywood of Stourbridge, while a stuffed pike lurks among the lots offered by C B Sheppard at Sutton-in-Ashfield, 12 moon. Thursday sees a specialist sale at Bonhems with fishly paintings ' and fishing equipment, 2pm On Friday Moore Allen & Innocent of Cirencester have a sporting sale with paintings stuffed birds and beasts, sholguns, tackle, tack, games, equipm Interature, 10.30am. At the same time the surique and bicture

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Johnny Depp: the teenager with problems on his hands

THE JAZZ SINGER (Warner Video, U) Spatterings of dialogue and synchronised songs, but a landmark him Al Joison as the cantor's son who dons blackface and waits "Mammy" 1927.

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Gary Oldman offers manic capers and hair in dire need of a comb 1991. **BOOKING NOW** SCOTTISH CHAMBER

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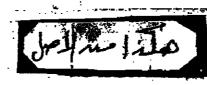
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Case of the custard eruption



Lynne Truss on where programmes go when they die - and the reincarnation of Maigret

backdrop of bright . wispy clouds, Frank Muir sits on a tall stool and tells us about TV Heaven, his twinkling manner faintly reminiscent of the angel Clarence in It's a Wonderful Life.

We viewers suck our fingers and jig in our seats. Oh, goody. It is Saturday at 8pm, and Channel 4's new retro slot is about to start, with three and a half hours of programmes and titbits from 1967. We are in for a treat. then; and probably growing a bit light-headed in anticipation. Hello clouds, hello sky. classic Coronation Street. But then Uncle Frank leans forwards and smilingly explains the evening's conceit, for those of us too excited to work it out. TV heaven, he says, is where TV programmes go to - but only if they're good.

Well, I'm sure he meant it kindly, but it was still a very sobering piece of news. I instantly stopped feeling excited, and started feeling worried. Had somebody mentiond moral absolutes? Had Paradise Lost somehow got mixed up with The Prisoner? was assailed by visions of "bad" television being cast from the empyrean and turnbling through the everlasting night of the cosmos - and it eemed a bit out of proportion, somehow. I mean, Brides of Christ is certainly bad but it surely doesn't deserve eternal damnation.

Imagine the end of each average broadcasting day in 1992. A moving staircase, the tick of the metronome and crowds of lacklustre sit-coms ascend to the gates in long, dreary lines. At the top, Jeremy Paxman (with a halo) checks each name in a big book, shakes his heavy head and whoops, there goes

another one. TV Heaven put an interest-ing complexion on the week's viewing. however. Which were the chosen? Each instalment of Olympics 92 (BBC1/ BBC2), for example, surely held the potential for a place in the TV firmament, along-

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there was little excitement on the skating rink (nothing welkin-worthy anyway).

I got my hopes up for a little while when I caught sight of a pink patch on the ice, and jumped to the conclusion that there had been a grisly accident (or at least a famous nose-bleed) which would be revealed in the evening highlights. But, alas, the pink patch turned out to be the Winter Olympics symbol frosted into the ice; and so another shot at TV heaven fell to earth unnoticed.

I do have misgivings about the revival of old television ogrammes. At the same time as they jog the memory, warm the cockles and break the ice at parties, they bring the past into the present in a way that I find uncomfortable.

Take the death of Corona-

tion Street's Harry Hewitt, for example (shown on Saturday). This made a huge imession on me at the time, Elsie Tanner's wedding was just complete, the reception still jumping, and outside in the street Harry is killed under a stationary van when a jack slips. To me, this event belongs in my own memory, rubbing shoulders with other personal events of 25 years ago (my first false teeth, for example). Showing it on television in 1992 somehow misses the point. Also (and more importantly), it makes me feel like a mug for bothering to remember it for 25 years.

erhaps the lesson of TV Heaven is that, instead of committing programmes to memory, we should pray for their immortal souls, and get on with something else.

No doubt the old Rupert Davies Maigret series is comfortably ensconced in the abode of the blest; so perhaps we earth-crawlers should simply forget about it. Whether or not the new

Michael Gambon version will gain entrance is of course a matter for the great Paxman in the sky. But to judge from the relaxed dramatic pace of ticelli image of Torvill and the first, 90-minute episode merely a tribute to this change of Dean, but early in the week ("The Patience of Maigret".



Patience of a saint: Michael Gambon filling the screen, and taking the human approach, as the great Maigret

into himself, in order to "un-

derstand the drama". This

must be a little discouraging

for the other actors, come to

think of it, but perhaps the

The Patience of Maigret".

other actors just fade into the

wallpaper with a resigned little

wave. Bye bye Cheryl Camp-

by Alan Plater), at least one can be sure that Gambon's Maigret would quite cheerfully bide a few years in limbo, if called upon to do so. Yea, even unto seventy times seven.

The point about Maigret is that he doesn't dash about finding clues, or solving cases by crunching his little grey cells together. He takes the more human approach: as one of Simenon's commentators phrased it, each Maigret case is less a problem to resolve than a drama to be understood.

Thus, observing the apartment house where a murder has occurred. Maigret sits across the square at an outdoor cafe and remarks philosophically that each tenant has his own history, his own morality. In Maigret's world there are no criminals: just people "driven to the limit". "Round up the usual suspects" is not a command that springs readily to his lips, because it would mean arresting the entire population of Paris. So, if it takes seven years property to solve a series of jewel robberies, it is merely a tribute to this chief

Gambon is terrific as bell, bye bye Trevor Peacock. caffeine? Have I got caffeine?" Finally, perhaps the high Maigret. His great quality is to before scalding your face. fill the screen without appearthe week was in ing to, just as Maigret quietly subsumes all the characters

Tuesday's Food and Drink (BBC2), which reported on the phenomenon of drinks that explode after being heatis a serious problem, apparently. An innocuous bowl of series was safely in the can before anybody twigged the problem. Think of any scene in piping-hot custard, fresh from the microwave, suddenly turns into Mount St Helen's on the dinner table; warmed-up coffee jumps straight out of the cup (like a chorus-girl from a birthday cake) and shrieks, "You want

Food and Drink accounted for itself very responsibly: it explained the physics, gave safety advice, and laid censure on the proper authorities for not obliging manufacturtions. But the fascination of the item, the reason it made you jump up and down on the sofa, was that you desperately wanted it to say, "For goodness sake, what's the hurry? Why don't you use a kettle, like everyone else?" Perhaps it was the influence of Maigret.

Held captive in the back seat

Rides

(Tuesday, BBC 1, 9.30pm) It sounds like a sure-fire idea: Jill Baker plays a tough exsoldier running an all-woman mini-cab firm in a series devised and written by Carole Hayman, of Tenko fame, As with Tenko, it seems, survival is the crux of the matter, but there are differences too -- in particular, I would hazard, less emaciation, and more runs to the airport.

● Bookmark: Miss Pym's

(Wednesday, BBC2, S.10pm) More sterling work from Bookmark, with a tribute to the English novelist Barbara Pym, who died in 1980. The Times Literary Supplement once memorably said that Barbara Pym made "a scrupulously detailed picture of people living like mice in the wainscoting of life" — which is not only a perfect image. but also a nice reminder of

the word wainscoting.

James Runcie's film is an adventurous dramatisation of a day in Barbara Pym's own quiet, wainscory life. Fictional characters are mixed with

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real ones (such as Jilly Cooper) and Miss Pym is played by the very wonderful Patricia Routledge.

• Gardeners' World

(Friday, BBC2, 8,30pm)
The BBC's decision to commit Gardeners' World to an independent production company seems to have resulted in widespread panic. There was even some sort of alarmist rumour that we had seen the last of Barnsdale; and that we might never know the outcome of Geoff Hamilton's consumer tests on peat-substitutes. To sum up, then: a trying period for us all. So it is wonderful to report that Geoff returns next Friday with a new series and a new co-presenter (Liz Rigbey, former editor of The Archers). A few regulars have been dropped (one imagines them impaled on pitchforks Anne Swithinbank's greenhouse), but this is not necessarily a reason

Well, I'm not addicted to Blind Date. I always turn on the news and I would say I'm addicted to What the Papers Say, although I always manage to forget when it's on. I just like journalists talking about each other, and it's a sort of sideways view of the news, which you get through the journalist talk-ing about newspapers.

Each programme is presented by a journalist.
"Richard Ingrams is my favourite. I'm addicted to anything with Richard in it, because he makes me laugh. I'm addicted to all the old comedy pro-grammes, such as Fawlty Towers, which I adore. I



repeats.
I also like Spitting Image. My favourite thing is

Shadows dim the sun over Little England

Paradise for many is the Costa del Sol. Channel 4 on Monday spells out the reality

aturday night in Benal-madena: El Elefante bar is packed with Britpensioners warbling roy from Ireland is top of the bill. When the pony-tailed folk-singer finishes his turn he is met with applause and cries of "encore". It is midnight. He is very hot and very rired. "Don't you have homes to go to?" he asks. They have indeed. These

Guinness drinkers are not tourists but citizens of that corner of the Costa del Sol known as Little England. The set for the forthcoming BBC soap of that name is slowly going up in Coin, a 30minute drive inland. Next Monday at 9pm, a

glimpse of expatriate life will be seen on Channel 4 in the two-part documentary Coast of Dreams, made by Touch Productions, whose Watching the Detectives series last year on real-life private eyes shattered many an illusion. This time round it is the characters, not the viewers, who have their rose-tinted spectacles removed.

The first part, "Paradise in the Sun", reveals the economic reality that British wouldbe bar-owners face when they sell up their homes to live and work in Spain. Most of the 389 watering holes and 277 eateries in Benalmadena are run by the British for the British. There are too many bars and too few customers.

Mike and Betti Thompson have had The Bee's Knees for six years. Their "traditional London boozer" is on the sixlane highway that connects Malaga to Estepona. "People look abroad, see the sun, remember the holiday atmosphere and start packing their bags." Mr Thompson says. "They forget that as a bar-owner you have to be 'on holiday' 365 days a year. It's



Selling up: Mike Thompson, owner of The Bee's Knees

no good thinking that all you have to do is open the doors and the punters will come in and spend themselves silly, because they won't. You've got to make it that bit more pleasurable so that they'll keep on coming back. It's very hard work."

One day last summer the Thompsons served 186 roast beef lunches, with apple pie for afters - all cooked by Mrs Thompson in the tiny kitchen, where the temperature simmered at 38C. In the early days Mrs Thompson, who had been on an expensive cookery course, made tapas, but the customers demanded cheese toasties.

n The Bee's Knees, its walls decorated with West Ham regalia, a collection of hats and snapshots of satisfied customers, a septuagenarian named Iris renowned for putting the bad into lambada. said: "I come back every year. It gets quite wild sometimes."

In the steep, narrow streets of Little England there are French, German, Dutch and Danish ghettoes. The English, though, are past-masters at disguising prejudice as patriotism. Few bother to

learn Spanish. Doreen Bailes left Fleetwood, Lancashire, with her

husband Ernest in search of

the sun. Basking on the

balcony of their sixth-floor

flat in Monday's documenta-

ry, she announces: "It's like being a film star." Then it's back to the kitchen to make Lancashire hotpot.

Around the corner is the Hotel Bali which, although the tourist slump is said to be the worst for 20 years, is full of British and Spanish pen-sioners. The Brits come with Thomsons; the Spanish on a government scheme.

Part two of the documentary, "Paradise Lost", looks at tourism from the Spanish point of view. The superb scenery around Ronda is threatened by developers. who want to build residential complexes and six golf courses for the as yet non-existent second wave of tourists.

Back in Benalmadena the only signs of growth are the Se Vende boards springing up everywhere. Many bar-owners are succumbing to bankruptcy, alcoholism and divorce. For all the joshing that goes on in the resort, an air of desperation reigns. And the Thompsons, ex-

hausted by the daily grind, and of being attacked or robbed, want out. They have found a buyer for The Bee's Knees, but a loophole in the lease has ensuared them in a legal battle that could cost them the bar and their home. Mrs Thompson is bitter: "There's only one law, and that is for the Spanish. Spain to me is a very sad country."

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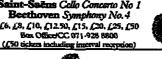
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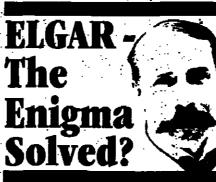


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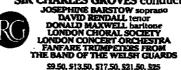
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Islander's mistaken attempt to escape

DEREK WALCOTT's play was first performed in Los Angeles, where audiences would have been more aware of the irony of its title than the good citizens of NW6. These days the best of Motortown is as unappetising as the worst of the City of Angels. Much of Woodward Avenue, before the riots of 1968 one of America's great streets, looks

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like war-torn Beirut. When I lived nearby, as I did in the later 1980s, the great civic problems were how to stop children taking guns to school, how to control the proliferating crack the populace burning down what was left of their city on Hallowe'en. To yearn to escape there, like the West Indian protagonist of Viva Detroit, is as eccentric as if some updated three sisters were planning to relocate in Chemobyl rather than in

At any rate, it tells us plenty about Steve Toussaint's Sonny and his erratic relationship to reality. He is a blend of dreamer, gigolo and whatever colouring will con women visitors to St Lucia out of their virtue and their

When Marlena Mackey's

THEATRE

Viva Detroit Tricycle, Kilburn

from New York, appears at the hotel bar, he first of all passes himself off as a rich, brash American who somehow combines aggressive Republican views with respect for Jesse Jackson. Finding this turns her off more than on, he takes aim at her liberal scruples, presenting himself as a poor, unspoiled native, outside "your luxuri-ous glass and air-conditioning". But clearly that is not the most seductive of come-

With Norman Beaton as a barman, exuding canny fatalism from beneath a wig that looks as though it were cus-tom-designed for the singing nun in The Sound of Music, all this makes for a lively opening. Toussaint is a strong, bold actor with, as it turns out, a certain vulnerability beneath his cocky manner. Mackey is a bright, vivid addition to the Black Theatre Co-op's ranks, too.

No matter if they do not altogether convince us of the love that does eventually evolve between them. Walcott Pat, a white photographer clearly wants to keep us

guessing about its authenticity and its durability.

The trouble is that too much guesswork is expected of us in a second half that, for all the assurance of Malcolm Frederick's direction, gets increasingly lost. Pat re-appears from a trip back home, disguised as a gro-tesque slattern. She then inveigles Sonny into making a half-hearted sexual ad-

vance, reveals herself, threat-

ens him with a pistol and

finally offers him a forged

American visa. Before long, the play's tone has become as awkward and uncertain as its eventual outcome. There may, perhaps, be substance in Sonny's parting suggestion that Pat would find it hard to accept his transformation from a happy-go-lucky islander into a

together inscrutable. Besides, the play's grip has faltered so badly it is impossible to care very much if Sonny ends up in Detroit or Dacca. For similar reasons, it is difficult to take him quite as seriously as Walcott seems to

full-time American; but by now her motives are al-

Not only does he mefully describe his function as being to boost the local economy by grinning as much and as widely as he can. Not only



Implausible trio: Marlena Mackey, Steve Toussaint (front) and Norman Beaton

accurate diagnosis on Wal-

does he declare, "I lose my identity once I start asking who I really am. Norman Beaton is on hand to italicise the already emphatic with: "If we can save you, we

In other words, he is not cott's part; but the author just a St Lucian, but St Lucia needs to construct a far more itself, the exemplary victim of plausible plot if he is to prove a neo-colonialist tourist-trade and his country's cultural confusions. That may be an

BENEDICT

Worth a detour

had friends in Britain even before the Gorbachev era. Now that the Russian composer is living here, her music may become even more familian a big Blake setting for choir and orchestra is due at this year's Proms. Meanwhile the Nash Ensemble this week at St John's Smith Square introduced a smaller recent piece, Odyssey, with a story behind it almost as strange and beguiling as the music

Two years ago Firsova received a telegram from Paris commissioning a score to be carried by a lone British oarsman, one Peter Bird, on a voyage across the Pacific from Vladivostok to San Francisco, there to be performed by "a great American conductor (we are thinking of Mr Previn)". Alas the project evaporated, but by that time Firsova had written her piece. and therefore had an Odyssey without an Odysseus

So it remains, but for this occasion the part of Previn was played by Richard Bernas, who conducted a beautiful performance of a journey waiting through various musical textures. Begun tentatively and delicately by string trio and harp, the path is joined by other travellers a flute, a horn, a player on NIGHTINGALE | vibraphone and bells -- who

CONCERT Nash Ensemble St John's, Smith Square

create around themselves an almost tangible landscape of sustained harmony and slow change. There are cadenzas for cello and flute, the former reaching way over the treble stave and played with superb ease and definition by Caroline Dale. Yet all the time it seems to be the same journey that is going on, leading (if without geographical accuracy) through ice floes of high string harmonics to a sighting of the United States in a quotation from Ives's The Unanswered Question.

Also on this programme. the second of two typical Nash evenings combining focus (on Russia) with wide range, were Tchaikovsky's Souvenir de Florence and Mussorgsky's Songs and Dances of Death. Brian Bannatyne-Scott gave a splendid account of the latter: resolutely in control and authoritative, always musical, projecting dark nights of the soul and body by colour and weight of tone without histrionics. There was the promise here of a fine Boris Godunov.

PAUL GRIFFITHS

History lesson wears a smile

THE new show by Adzido Pan African Dance Ensemble is based on a text by Odia Ofeimun, presenting elements from the history of southern Africa over the past two centuries. Speech and song introduce each dance, with a white-clad Priestess of Memory the one continuing character linking the others.

Not surprisingly, some of the most enthusiastic applause went to a vehement call to struggle for liberation, but the final message is of the need for all races to seek a peaceful way of sharing the land. There is humour as well as sincerity in the writing, not least in a neat caricature of Cecil Rhodes.

I assume that Rhodes was also the red-faced chap in a series of dances with highly sophisticated and amusing masks derived from Malawi. The variety of the costuming is extensive: the men's clothes are the more impressive, the women's are very gaudy.

A limitation of the dances is



Adzido: exhilarating zest

Siye Goli Sadler's Wells

that most of them offer quick spot, or with only limited floor patterns. The vigour of the performers is exhilarating, but at times a feeling of sameness creeps in. So the episode when a woman ruler leads her followers, with cheerful belligerence, round and round the stage is all the more welcome by contrast.

Another highlight comes

near the end in a Mbende dance from Zimbabwe. Originating as a celebration of the marriage of a chief's daughter, it includes a recurring motif for one couple after another who jump at each other, collide mid-air belly to belly, and bounce apart again. The allusion is obvious, explicit but light-hearted and not the least bit

I am not sure that the relationship of the various dances to the topics they were meant to illustrate was always entirely clear, but they do represent a wide anthology drawn from seven different countries, and covering a range of different moods. A group of drummers across the back of the stage keeps the energy fired all the time.

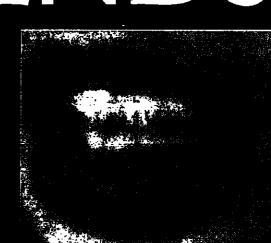
Apologies are due to Ballet Du Nord and to Sadler's Wells for a misunderstanding which caused my notice last week to describe it as a fringe was a French company. I would be sorry to seem to suggest that London's nearest approach to a dance house was in the fringe business.

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Genuinely hopeless?

ALWAYS mysterious, the interplay between image, music and hype within the pop business has been growing increasingly opaque to out-siders. A Welsh rock fourpiece of two years' vintage. named Manic Street Preachers, exemplify this trend.

Both public and critics now know they were right to deride the self-consciously subversive tactics of Sigue Sigue Sputnik - the band that signed to EMI in the mid-Eighties for an exaggerated sum of money and then failed to sell copies of their absurd cocktail of sciencefiction imagery and rock 'n' roll rebellion. There is far less conviction surrounding Manic Street Preachers. Even their most fervent defenders harbour doubts. Initially, the band seemed a vehicle for punk nostalgia. Were they packaging teen rebellion into "retro" product, or were they hopelessly genuine beautiful losers and rock revolutionaries?

Now they have signed with the Sony Corporation, the questions have changed slightly. Are they just another bunch of fame-hungry turncoats, ready to eject their rebel pose at the first opportunity. or will passion, poetry and media awareness fuse into something meaningful?

Their debut album has sorted out the musical aspect at least. Generation Terrorists is a double album of dreary guitar cliches, likely to ROCK RECORDS

Generation Terrorists (Columbia 471060 2)

induce sleep rather than passion. Manic Street Preachers sexy in three-minute doses but, over the wastelands of a double CD, they might be

middle-aged session hacks.

The extra-musical factors

are less easily dismissed. The band has obvious appeal to innocent first-time record buyers. Pretty, pretentious, full of energy and righteous anger, they have all the basic ingredients of classic pop-idols. Lyrics which attack global corporations, the alienation of consumerism and political hypocrisy exactly mirror the frustrations of a generation which feels that no gesture can escape the destiny of becoming a commodity, a marketing plan or

an advertising slogan. The quotes which they append to each track title come from sources as diverse as Philip Larkin, Nierzsche and Valerie Solanos. To somebody who has seen all this before, the effect is comic. Yet nobody could disagree entirely with their lift from the manifesto of the Futurists: "Regard all art critics as useless and dangerous."

DAVID TOOP

A tale of two Koffmanns

ierre Koffmann's Memo-ries of Gascony won last year's Glenfiddich award for food book of the year. It's a gastronomic autobiography of a sort that could not be written by a chef who had grown up in, say, Somerset or on The Marches. or, indeed, anywhere in Britain during the period that Mr Koffmann describes, i.e. the 1950s and 1960s. With his French-based English collaborator, Timothy Shaw, he proves to be something of an Alain-Fournier of the stove. It is a book with a marked sense of place - a small village in the Gers: and with a marked respect for seasonal traditions, culinary resourcefulness and the earth. The author's grandparents were smallholders, his grandmother an in-spiriting cook whose recipes were. without exception, founded in the vernacular practice of her parish. The book is, of course, sometimes sentimental - but rarely mawkish. It is also eminently utile: the recipes are ones that most reasonably accomplished domestic cooks can tackle with confidence.

So what has Pierre Koffmann. gastro-poet of rural Gascony, got to do with Pierre Kollmann, chefproprietor of Tante Claire in urban Chelsea? The answer used to be: not much. Both men answered to the same name, but beyond that the correspondences were few. The paramount reason for this bifurcation is perhaps explained simply by the fact of Mr Koffmann belonging to a genera-tion of French chels who trained and began to practise professionally in the late 1960s, when a more or less revolutionary gale was blowing through the kitchens of grand restaurants.

In that climate his grandmother's cooking had no place. Now, a decade and a half after he opened Tante Claire, the peasant tradi-tion, cuisine de terroir, is back in favour and — this is of more moment than you might believe not likely to be frowned upon by the Michelin men, at least not in France. At this rarefied end of the culinary trade, the tyrannical influence of the rosette donors should never be underestimated; they encourage inhibition and a sort of self-censorship. And Tante Claire has two rosettes, hard won and not to be let go of by the injudicious introduction of dishes insufficiently elaborated for Michelin's taste. So the process of convergence between the two Koffmanns has been gradual, almost imperceptible.

Now, at last. Tante Claire seems to be biased towards the provision of dishes which its chef's grandmother would acknowledge as having much in common with hers. Not that the grandson ever



reign in urban Chelsea, says

Jonathan Meades

went overboard for wayward novelty, but he did have an orientalising phase, and he did toy for a while with the deracinated cooking that was all the rage in flash restaurants in the first half of the 1980s. But, as I say, the southwestern accent is now pronounced. And the results are felicitous in the extreme.

It need hardly be pointed out that Mr Koffmann's is not that kind of cliched south-western cooking which Paul Bocuse characterised as "can-opener cooking": the accent is not

Tante Claire is a very smooth, very urbane outfit with a pretty. Vogue Regency interior by Collings. The cooking David matches. It is, currently, beautifully balanced and as accomplished as any in Britain. I say "currently" because this has not, in my experience, been the most consistent of kitchens. But let that pass. A dinner last week was faultless. Every department of the kitchen manifested real virtuosity.

The kind of peculiarly Gascon pastry that Mr Koffmann refers to in his book as "pastis" crops up here and there — with poppy seeds, as a "parcel" for shredded duck confit, as a sort of superior cream puff in an apple dish. Pastis has nothing to do with the aniseed-flavoured aperitif but, probably, something to do with the kindred Moroccan pastry of a similar name. There is a persistently light touch with sauces. when they are used: the formula of a sauce with everything is not adhered to. Turbot, for instance, is served with garbure, the cabbage and confit soup that is a south-western staple, but which can rarely have been used in such a manner. It is, however, an unmitigated success - one of those rare fish and meat combinations that comes off. Scallops are done with squid ink and a sweet pepper puree. Duck is served in four ways: rare roast breast, wine-braised leg, stuffed neck, confit, as I said, in pastry with sweet, sweated onions. Each item is different from the



next, but there is sufficient carnal kinship for the whole to hold together. Woodcock is prepared in the classic manner, beak and all, its offal on a crouton. The numerous breads (shallot and bacon, tomato, olive, corn) are first rate. So, too, the cheeses, which are all French save an intruder from Scotland, Lanark Blue. Among the sweets is an all-apple number: sorbet, soufflé, croustade, gratin.

This was a marvellous meal. Nothing was redundant, nothing was lacking. It is very expensive — with a half of a meaty 1985 Chateauneuf and two glasses of house wine the bill was £150. But, of course, it is quite possible to fork out such a sum at all sorts of inferior places. And the set lunch costs considerably less than half that sum. Not, it appears, that money is much of a problem for

this outfit's punters. It was full on a mid-week evening and certain of the tables were twice occupied. I trust that Mr Koffmann will find less to comfort him at Parc des Princes this afternoon.

Tante Claire 0 68 Royal Hospital Road, SW3 (071-352 6045). Lunch and dinner Mon to Fri.

JONATHAN MEADES'S RESTAURANT GUIDE

Marks — up to a maximum of ten — are awarded for cooking and although they are intended to reflect value for money they are not determined by this consideration alone: certain very costly restaurants are very good, certain very cheap ones are, too. All prices given are approximate — they are for a three-course meal for two, including modest wine and an aperitif. Dishes are mentioned only as an indication of the repertoire. Never be afraid to complain. Phone first, it is not only discourteous but illegal to dishonour bookings; that goes for restaurants as well as customers. J.M.

SCOTLAND

Pierre Victoire 10 Victoria Street, Edinburgh 1 (031-225 1721) Chaotic, cramped, noisy, animated bistro in Edinburgh Old Town. The cooking, within its limitations, is mostly pretty good and is excellent value for money. Scallops with warm smoked salmon, halibut with mussels, pork with mango sauce. The service is liable to disruptions. £35. Lunch and dinner

The Champany ian near Linlithgow, Lothian, (050-683 4532/4388)
The ne plus uitra of the steak house. A

every day, except Sunday.

very strange outfit indeed. The meat is "grown" by the owners but is, some-times, carelessly cooked. The gravadlax is the best in Lothian. The service is churchy, pretentious. A genuine oddity and one that is worth risking if you can afford £100. Lunch Mon-Fri. Dinner Mon-Sat.

Dunain Park On A82, two miles south of Inverness (0463 230512)

The atmosphere is that of a guest house that has come up in the world. The place is rather homely, the cooking is not — it attempts more than it can deliver and seems reluctant to keep things simple. When the sound ingredients are not mucked around, the results are pleasing. Excellent wines, good views of the river Ness and the Caledonian Canal. £50-£60. Dinner every day (bookings needed).

The Old Monastery
3 Drybridge, Buckle, Banffshire (0542 32660)

More a re-building than a conversion, this spacious and handsome establishment looks down across Pict land to the Moray Firth. The cooking tends towards provincial over-elaboration, but is on target with the simpler dishes. The wine list is pretty good, the all-female service is charming, though tending service is charming, though tending towards the nicest kind of bossiness. £60. Lunch and dinner Tues-Sat.

Tullich Lodge

Near Ballater. Grampian (03397
55406) Chunky hunk of baronial down the Dee valley from Balmoral (also closes for winter, reopening end March). No choice, or at least small choice menu, is stronger on meat than it is on sweets which leave an awful lot to be desired. Mute and genteel punters don't exactly make it a fun-disco. Good whiskies. £50-£60.

Inveriochy Castle

Tortundy. Fort William, Highland Region (0397 702177)

An extraordinary Victorian time capsule which tries to be more country
house than hotel (reopening March 2
after winter break). The service is quite
something — a uniformed planon
greet diners who, inevitably, have
difficulty negotiating the massed ranks.
The interior of the muscular baronial
pile is impressive — hectares of panelpile is impressive - hectares of panel-ling, hundreds of dead stags' heads.

overwrought furniture by Louis the Decorator and Louis the Highlander, The setting beneath Ben Nevis is also more than startling. The cooking is regulation issue luxury hotel stuff - all pretty well cooked but lacking any individual stamp: the meat, however, especially the beef, is first rate. £100.

Lunch and dinner every day. AMERICAN COOKING

Kenny's

70 Heath Street, NW3,

(071-435 6972)

Cajun restaurant with loud cajun music Good cocktails, good beers, and some good cooking. The ubiquitous house teather files come good cooking. batter tastes like corn chips from a packet. There is little variety in the spicing, most dishes taste pretty much the same, i.e. hot and aggressive. 560. Lunch and dinner: Mon-Sun. (There is also a branch in Chelsea, SW3).

A survivor from the early 1970s which has become a reliable standby for locals. The hamburgers are very good indeed and the clam chowder is worthy of a "serious" restaurant. The much imitated decor is all white paint, potted palms and Victorian garden furniture. Good cheap wines and some unusual beers £35. Lunch and dinner every day.

Ed's Easy Diner 16 High Street, Hampstead, NW3, (071-431 1958) The phone number gets it right. This is a pastiche of anywhere in America in 1958 seen through the eyes of a video maker or ad director — chrome, plastic, Dion and Elvis. The burgers and milkshakes are all right but, no doubt, it is the feel rather than the food that is of moment. Ideal for Advenced to me of moment. Ideal for 40-year-olds re-living their fantasy childhood. 120. (There are also branches in Old Compton Street, WI, King's Read, SW3, and Fulham Road.) Lunch and

The Hard Rock Cafe 2 160 Old Park Lane W1. (071-629 0382)

dinner Mon-Sun.

A touristic institution. As well as a restaurant it is a monument to the early 1970s taste for anything to do with the 1950s and, further, it is a museum of rock and roll memorabilia — which means loss of guitars and photos. The basic cooking is hard on the digestion though easy on the pocker, given the vast quantities that are dished up. Burgers are disappointing but chilli con came and the steaks are all right. £45. All day every day.

Los Andes
806 Bristol Road, Selly Oak,
Birmingham 29 (021-471 3577)
Small South American diner with dishes from all over the subcontinent The live music is a bore but some of the dishes are all right if rather crude: hot heef stew, hot lamb stew empanados stuffed with chicken or beef and raisins. chicken with cream sauce. Mexican dismal selection of wines. £23. Lunch Mon-Sat, dinner every day.

KIND FOOD: ALISON JOHNSON

EC with egg on its face

ast summer, Asda trumpeted the fact that it was selling 15 per cent freerange, 60 per cent barn and only 25 per cent battery eggs. Three moderate cheers — but couldn't we reduce the last figure?

You may wonder what a barn egg is. To find out, I visited one of the "perchery" units that supplies Asda eggs. Though the birds live indoors, they have access to tiered perches, nest boxes and litter.

This unit was partitioned into sub-flocks of 1,000 birds to discourage aggression, with "only" 16 birds per square metre of floor space. Even so, they were ranged like crowds in a football

Do they become equally bloodthirsty? Unfortunately, yes. To discourage savagery, most perchery flocks are de-beaked, an operation now proved to cause long-lasting distress. They have litter provided, but not until well into lay, so that pullets learn to use the nest boxes rather than lay unprofitably dirty eggs in the

This is a long way from an ideal situation, but it has to be said that it is preferable to a battery cage, which could not be worse for the naturally bustling

At present it is impossible to tell whether eggs from "alternative" or "colony" systems (free range, deep litter and barn/ perchery) come from good or bad farms, even though these systems are inherently "kinder" than cages.

Unlike the situation for poultry, the term "free range" when applied to eggs is an EC statutory marketing term, and there-fore not regulated primarily on welfare grounds, as shoppers might think. However, this may

change. Concerned to align marketing with welfare terms when the EC Directive on laying hens is reviewed later this year, the Farm Animal Welfare Council (FAWC) recently submitted its report on colony systems to the government. Its main recommendations are for no more than seven hens per square metre of floor space, or around

15.5 (!) with tiered perches. The FAWC has also recommended friable litter for scratching and dust-bathing, a ban on routine beak trimming by 1996. and "sufficient" popholes in freerange systems to allow all hens to use them.

Nothing too extreme here. But is there enough about what hens need? By the time the usual degree of compromise has entered into European discussions, will the poor old hen be any

Some members of the FAWC have dissented from the majority recommendations in favour of more stringent ones, particularly on space allowance and litter which if more generous would obviate de-beaking.

They feel that too much accommodation to the egg industry has overshadowed the needs the hens, which could be disastrous, given the monumental slowness of changes in EC legislation, once in place.

Attempt too little and comfortable stagnation may ensue; too much and risk being laughed out of court. It's a question of strategy as much as of principle.

nfortunately, it is never certain which tactic will succeed. And for farm animals, chances don't come often. If the EC welfare requirements for laying hens decided in 1992 are toothless, it may be years before they get another chance.

When we kept hens we used to quaver in sympathy with the ecstatic outcry of a proud matron as she rose from her stickywarm treasure in the nest box. As a result I prefer to dignify them by giving them the star part in a meal, not demoting

them to thickening or raising. My recipe for eggless chocolate cake was popular, so here is a similar one for gingerbread. It is excellent when served hot with Greek yoghurt or ice-cream, especially if you slurp some sherry over it. It improves by being kept for a week, hence the

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Week ginger 224g self-raising flour 2tsp cinnamon 4tsp ground ginger 112g margarine

224g treacle 56g muscovado sugar 125ml milk 2tsp bicarbonate of soda

Preheat oven to 150C, line tin 21cm square. Sieve first three ingredients. Heat everything else except soda until steaming. Beat in soda - batter will foam. Immediately fold in flour mixture, bake approximately 70

Report on the Welfare of Laving Hens in Colony Systems from FAWC (081-330 8032). Ask for the Minor-

Play tick the toques

The French may not win many Olympic medals this week, but 50 top chefs will be going for gold in the

Albertville big top

hatever their fate on the slippery slopes. the French have got it thoroughly together as far as bread and circuses are concerned. For the duration of the Winter Olympics the best chefs in France are cooking in a big top.

The circus tent has been raised

next to the town hall in Albertville. It is billed as Le Restaurant le plus

Toque du Monde.

A toque is a chel's hat, and the symbol of culinary excellence chosen by the Guide Gault-Millau to rival Michelin's rosettes. In idiomatic French, though, toque also means crazy, which is a fair description for any restaurant which in 13 gala nights deploys the skills of 50 chefs muster than a chefs must be a chefs must be a chef to a chefs must be a chefs must between them a total of no fewer than 103 Michelin stars.

This Olympiad of gastronomic endeavour has been conceived and co-ordinated by Marc Veyrat, a brilliant young chef whose magnificent restaurant at the Auberge de l'Eridan in Veyrier-du-Lac, just outside Annecy, is regarded as a prime candidate for promotion to: three-star status when the Michelin Guide delivers its verdicts for 1992. He has already been nominated chef of the year by the Guide Gault-Millau and is one of the 15 chefs to whom they award their highest mark to date: 19.5 out of 20.

M. Veyrat is in the Albertville marquee each night, co-operating with an ever-changing, all-star brigade of chefs from the different regions of France, taking turns to present their regional specialities in a succession of menus surprises.

For the gala of glumony M. Veyrat has recruited another six chefs who. like him. qualify for 19.5 ratings from Gault-Millau. They include Gerard Boyer from Reims and Jean Barder from Tours. Gault-Millau's joint chefs of the year for 1992, who cooked together last Monday, presenting regional specialities of the Loire and Champagne.

Michel Trama from L'Aubergade at Puymirol will be among the equipe representing the southwest this Tuesday, and on Wednesday both Georges Blanc of La Mère Blanc at Vonnas and Marc



Cooking up a storm: the culinary all-star doyen, Paul Bocuse

Meneau of L'Esperéance at Saint-Père-sous-Vezelay will be stoking the stoves as representatives of Burgundy. On Thursday it is the turn of Jean-Pierre Haeberlin from L'Auberge de l'Ill at Illhaeusern in Alsace.

f it is Michelin stars one is hunting, rather than Gault-. Millau toques, Burgundy's. night on Wednesday offers a veritable galaxy. Alongside Blanc and Meneau

will be two more chefs with three Michelin stars apiece: Jacques Lameloise from Chagny and Michel Lorain from Joigny, and to bring the total tally that night to 14. the team is completed by Jean-Pierre Billoux, a two-star chel: from Dijon.

Among the other three-star chels on parade are Roger Verge of Le Moulin de Mougins, the Pics from Valence, Emile Jung from Le Crocodile in Strasbourg, and the doyen of French grand event cooking. Paul Bocuse.

If you believe everything you hear about inter-kitchen rivalries,

it appears that M. Veyrat is skating on thin ice. One collision and the scene could resemble a melee on an ice-hockey rink.

To avoid such calamities, each chef is responsible for the preparation of one course. Up to 150 customers all take their places at 8.30pm prompt. The service, running the chicane imposed by having parties seated at separate tables, is in the capable hands of -15 waiters from the two-star, 19our-of-20 Gray d'Albion restaurant run by Jacques Chibois at the Royal Gray hotel in Cannes. The Gray d'Albion is taking its annual holiday to coincide with the Winter Olympies.

. In France, though, stars and toques are not everything. Local pride counts, too, and the first evening to sell out, at the fixed price of FFr950 a head, was Friday. That is the night M, Veyrat presents his local team of chels from Savoie, including Philippe Million (two stars) from

ROBIN YOUNG

Crisp bit of rough

Get

Knobbly celeriac is worth getting to know

CELERIAC is one of my favourite winter vegetables. It might look like a simple country bumpkin next to the cool and elegant fennel, the cosmopolitan green beans and mangetouts and the dandyish radicchios, but it is worth getting below that rough, tough, knobbly exterior to the dense, crisp, white flesh beneath, with a pronounced flavour of celery, its relative.

This large root vegetable is heavy, weighing at least a pound, and needs peeling before cooking. Because the white flesh oxidises rapidly on contact with air, it is best to quarter the root and rub the cut surfaces with lemon. Then peel each quarter and drop into a saucepan of water, to which you have added a little more lemon juice or vinegar.

At this time of year celeriac is a marvellous partner to dark game such as hare and venison. I dice it small and add to game soups and consommes. Larger chunks are cooked in game pies and casse-roles. One of the best ways of using celeriae is to boil it with potatoes and plenty of peeled garlic cloves, then drain and mash with olive oil. Celeriae can be used like pota-

toes in other ways; chips and crisps are particularly good, the crisps making a perfect canape for a sliver of marinated salmon. Fresh shellfish combines very

well with the celeriae's earthy sweetness. I like to blanch strips of celeriae, then cut it into thin julienne strips before combining with freshly cooked mussels and a creamy mustardy dressing. Celeriac on its own in such a dresssing is the "celeri-rave" of the traditional French hors d'oeuvres trolley.

Although ideally suited to our climate, cleriac has featured very little in traditional English cooking. Perhaps it will fare better in the modern kitchen. Arabella Boxer, in A Visible Feast, has a very good recipe for poached egg on a bed of celeriae puree topped with a sauce and finished under the grill. Peter Kromberg at the Intercontinental in London uses celeriac for "lasagne", taking very thin broad slices of celeriac, blanching them. and then layering them with filling. Try a prawn, mussel or scallop lasagne with celeriac.

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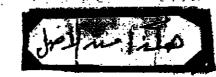


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Fruitful kitchen endeavours

he last thing readers of The Times want is a cookery column about marmalade. It has taken me a few years to come to this conclusion, even though it is the subject which generates by far the most correspondence, all of it written by experts. Who would have thought there were so many ways of making this preserve? Clearly no further guidance is

However, the new season's or-anges from Seville and Valencia will not be ignored. Nor will the bowl of Sicilian citrons and lemons I brought back from a recent visit to Italy. I also returned with some wonderful recipes and have included some of them today, together with some fresh, citrusy. sorbets and that teatime favourite, lemon curd (yes, it does use raw eggs, and yes, the ministry guide-lines on their consumption still apply: if in doubt about using

them, don't).
Freshly made pasta is better for the first recipe than dried pasta, as the sauce is light in texture and the flavour very delicate. Franco Verucci, sous chef at the Cavaliere Hilton in Rome, cooked it for us and Emilio Licciardi, the maltre. d'hotel, described in detail how to prepare it. Signor Verucci used tagliolini. Spaghettini, or angel hair, can also be used. As with all pasta dishes, it is important to have the serving plates very hot.

pasta with lemon sauce

Hb/455g fresh or dried pasta 2 large lemons with good skins 2oz/60g unsalted butter

3-4oz/85-110ml single, double or whipping cream white pepper

Peel off the zest of one lemon, put it in a frying pan with the butter and set over a low heat. Let it infuse for five to ten minutes, without the butter burning. Remove the zest. Add the cream, grate in the zest of the second lemon and let this cook until you have a well-flavoured cream. Season with white pepper. Cook the pasta as appropriate, drain it, but not too thoroughly, and mix with the sauce. Stir in the lemon juice to taste (probably the juice of at least one lemon) and serve immediately. This is a rich, creamy dish, despite the image of something tangy and astringent created by its name. If your pasta is particularly absorbent, you may



Oranges and

lemons give dishes

fresh zest says Frances Bissell,

The Times cook well need to stir in more like upt/140ml of cream. Above all, the pasta should not be sticky in

The next recipe can be adapted to most fish fillets; those taken from plaice, sole, brill and turbot. will generally cook more quickly than those taken from round fish. It is based on soglia al arancia, which was on the New Year's day menu at Ristorante Fini in Modena. I have cooked several versions at home, pan-frying pieces taken from a large fresh cod fillet and letting them cook in their own juices after brushing them with orange juice and olive oil.

I have cooked fillets of red mullet in the oven in parchment parcels, having first brushed them with walnut oil, then squeezed on a little Seville orange juice and finally grating on the zest of the bitter orange. This was not an entirely good idea. It is tempting to use the nut oils in this way, but the oven heat was high enough to cause the oil, which has a low smoke point, to begin to deteriorate, bringing out a bitterness which, combined with the natural bitterness of Seville oranges, did nothing for the 1983 Chassagne Montrachet served with it. Fish is best cooked in the oven in olive oil or butter. Nut oils can be added as a seasoning after cooking.

The oranges I like best for this recipe are navel oranges and the blood oranges. If you can get limes with good skins, try using them instead. If I can get it, red mullet is my favourite fish for this recipe. provided it is big enough. One weighing 1lb, or just over, will feed two. Have it scaled and filleted. Use the head and bones for a stock, made by simmering in 1pt/570 ml water for 20-25 minutes, with a bay leaf, a celery stalk top and, if you have it, a slice of fresh ginger. Strain through a very fine sieve and reduce to 4 pt/140ml. Store, or freeze, half of it for another time.

1 navel orange

freshly ground black pepper

sticking to the skin and remove any larger bones that might come out easily. Brush the fillets on both sides with olive oil. Peel off two or three broad strips of zest and grate the rest over the fish. Squeeze on some of the juice. Season it lightly and leave it while you cut the zest into long, thin curls. Simmer them in the stock. Heat a well-seasoned or non-stick frying-pan over a moderate heat and place the fish fillets, skin-side down, in the pan. Cover with a lid, and "sweat" the fish for about eight minutes, depending on the thickness. Transfer the fish to warm plates and put the curls of orange zest on it. Pour the stock into the fryingpan, add a little more orange juice and boil until reduced to a few tablespoons. Whisk in the remaining olive oil, bring to the boil and serve the sauce with the fish.

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		Orange sorbet
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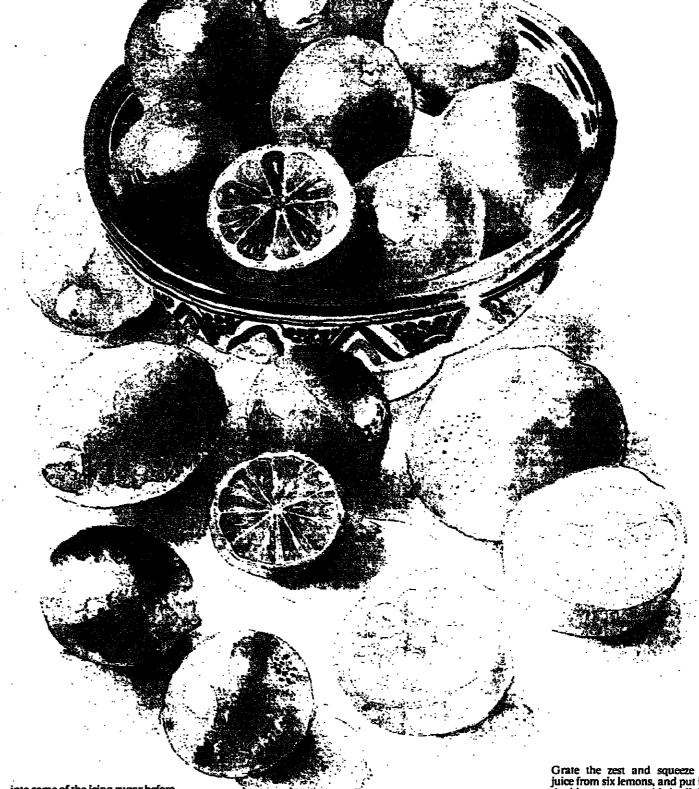
juice of half a lemon I pt/570ml freshly squeezed orange juice

icing sugar to taste (see note below)

Mix all the ingredients, stirring until the icing sugar has dissolved. Freeze in a sorbetiere or ice-cream maker, according to the manufacturer's instructions. The mixture can also be frozen in a freezer container and should be stirred from time to time as it is freezing to keep as even a texture as possible.

Blood orange sorbet: Freshly squeezed blood oranges, a teaspoon or two of orange flower water, sweetened to taste.

Lemon and thyme sorbet: Freshly squeezed lemon juice, lemon thyme, spring water and icing sugar to taste. Take a teaspoon of fresh lemon thyme leaves, pound them in a mortar with a little of the sugar and stir into the juice before mixing with spring water and the rest of the sugar and freezing it. Grapefruit and mint sorbet: As above, pounding fresh mint leaves



into some of the icing sugar before mixing into the liquid. Notes on sorbet-making: Mixing

half juice and half champagne or sparkling wine creates a very good sorbet. Some spirits and liqueurs go very well with sorbers, including vodka or gin with the grape-fruit and lemon sorbers. I also like Noilly Prat with these two and a spot of Campari in orange sorbets. but too much alcohol will prevent

sugar. For example, just over 10 per cent of freshly squeezed orange uice is sugar. the mixture from freezing, of course. Too much sugar will also Lemon curd

cause the sorbet not to freeze well; (This recipe uses uncooked eggs) too little, and it will freeze to a 4 large lemons with good skins grainy textured granita. A propor-8 egg yolks, or 4 whole eggs tion of one part sugar to two parts other ingredients is about right. 50z/140g unsalted butter, cut into However, different fruits and fruit small cubes juices contain different amounts of

Grate the zest and squeeze the juice from six lemons, and put in a double saucepan. Add the lightly beaten eggs, butter and sugar. Stir until the sugar has dissolved. Continue cooking and stir until the mixture thickens. Pot in small, clean, dry jars, which you have warmed in the oven. Cover immediately. Label, refrigerate and use within three to four weeks.

Seville oranges can also be used to make a very well-flavoured curd. Next week: More food from Italy.

Getting plastered on corn

Sour mash or straight, Bourbon or Tennessee? Confused? I know I am. What is it with these American whiskey producers? Why can't they just sort out their whiskey terminology like we have done?

Crisp

There are six main different types of American whiskey, although only two are widely available in Britain.

Not surprisingly, the first frontier spirit was made from corn, the easiest crop to grow in America. The earliest distillation attempts by Scots and Irish immigrants who brought their skills with them from the old country produced a coarse, clear spirit that earned its nickname of redeye. it must have tasted

Today rough and ready corn whiskey, aged in uncharred oak casks, is still a rural American spirit, but it is now hard to find in the US. Superior rye whiskey was also part of the early settlers' repertoire and it is still possible to buy good tye in Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Modern whiskeys in the US are bourbon, which accounts for one-third of all whiskey produced, and the bourbon style Tennessee whiskey. Both developed from the corn and rye east-coast original. Others are bland, blended whiskeys lightened up by heavy doses of neutral spirit, produced by Seagram's and Hiram Walker among others. Ignore both these and the light whiskeys which are, as the name suggests, the lightest and blandest in flavour of all.

American whiskey may be an obscure choice, but the world is beginning to get a taste for it. With exports trebled in recent years and the domestic market halved. there are plenty of interested American whiskey producers who will work hard to ensure this trend continues.

Japan is the biggest importer of American whiskeys. Australia the second. Europe is catching up; in the UK we drink 145,000 cases a year of the stuff. So it is high time we knew what we were drinking. Bourbon was born in Bour-

bon County, Kentucky, in the late 18th century. According to bourbon makers, the Rev Elijah Craig was the first person to realise that a corn whiskey made with the addition of tye and a little malted Jane MacQuitty unravels the ancient secrets of frontier craft that founded America's whiskey industry

barley, sometimes wheat, produced a spirit superior to redeye. Craig is also said to have discovered that ageing the clear spirit in new, white oak barrels -- charred on the inside with a layer of caramelised wood - produced a finer spirit still. Like all great spirit regions. Kentucky was graced with the natural resource of soft, pure spring water filtered through a bed of limestone rock. Today straight, or unadulterated bourbon is aged for a



Two fingers: a double measure of bourbon on the rocks

TOP TIMES BOURBONS

Maker's Mark Tesco £18.95, Oddbins £18.99.

Made by the Samuels at their small, family-run distillery in the heart of Kentucky. Maker's Mark is the priciest brand available here and the one with the most prestige. What separates this bourbon from the rest is the softness and smoothness of its rich oak, vanilla and raisiny-like caramel flavours. A bourbon star.

• George Dickel Oddbins £15.99 Drier and woodier in style than the above, as Tennessee whiskeys often are, and blessed with a pleasant, fruity taste. ● No.1 Bourbon Street Bourbon Oddbins £14.99

Bourbon Street's earthy pungency is lightened by loss of fine, gingery spice and vanilla flavours. Wild Turkey 101 Oddbins and Tesco £17.29. Asda £17.49

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minimum of two years in airy rack houses. The barrels expand and contract with the temperature, which forces the spirit in and out of the barrel's caramelised layer of charred wood, allowing it to soften and pick up colour and flavour.

Unlike whiskey matured in used casks, bourbon matured in new wood cannot be aged for much longer than eight years, otherwise an excessively woody spirit would result.

Bourbon also differs from whiskey in that it is distilled in tall, continuous stills to a lower alcoholic strength than scotch whisky, giving it a more robust, earthy flavour. Its other, highly individual whiskey arribute is that each fermenting batch of sour mash is seeded with the same strain of yeast as a previous batch, which ensures continuity of style and flavour.

made in exactly the same way as bourbon, but the raw spirit is also filtered very slowly through a deep layer of sugar maple charcoal before it is aged in charred barrels.

Bourbon experts are divided as to how great a differ-ence this makes to the end result, but com is a particularly sweet-tasting grain, and the only two brands of Tennessee whiskey available, Jack Daniel's and George Dickel, do seem to taste drier and less heavily flavoured as a

Bourbon, at first, is a shock and best drunk neat in a small glass, as the Americans do. This is a big, assertive, full-flavoured spirit reeking of vanilla. oak, caramel and a faulty sweetness that stems from the corn and the charring. It is a pungent, not a polished spirit like scotch. and is at its best. I feel, drunk. not sipped.

Cutting bourbon 50-50 with a good, still bottled water such as Evian aids appreciation, which is an acquired, not an immediate art.

Jack Daniel's Tennessee whiskey is the biggest-selling bourbon-style brand in the UK, followed by Jim Beam bourbon. Together they comprise 90 per cent of the market. But given that they cost £15 plus, I would trade straight up to one of the superior bottles listed left.

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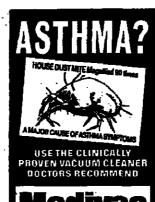


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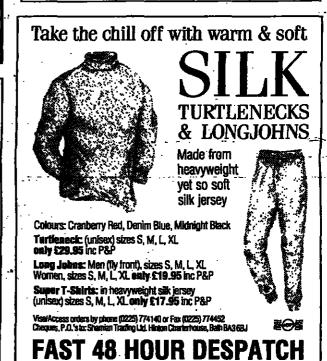
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Francesca Greenoak has good news and bad news from Brussels for gardeners

hudders of apprehension have been running through the horticultural community in Britain following news that the European Commission is establishing new ground rules for the raising and selling of plants. Many of us, remembering the heavy-handed legislation of the 1970s which eliminated a number

of worthwhile vegetables from the seed catalogues, were anxious about the same thing happening to flowering plants, prejudicing the future of small nurseries.

Now it seems we were looking in the wrong direction. While the EC proposals on ornamental plants are ess drastic than was rumoured, the situation for fruit has suddenly become more serious. A last-minute bid was made by the EC Council Working Group, reintroducing the idea of a register of approved varities of fruit plants. Only registered varieties will qualify for the three top-grade marketing categories which could searers with the ries, which could severely inhibit the fruit nurseries now developing a range of first-class local and historic fruit. The agriculture ministry (Maff) failed a few days ago to prevent the approval of the draft proposals, so the situation is now very threatening; the best hope is that Maff will find some way to modify their effects.

There is, however, good news on ornamental plants. Having consulted farmers, large nursery firms, and a separate lobby of small nursery firms and plant societies acting together under the auspices of the RHS. Maff has had considerable impact on the Brussels discussions. Britain has more at stake than other European nations because of its wealth of small nurseries and the wider range of plants available, but fears that less common plants would be priced out of the market by EC bureaucracy seem to be

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Essentially, the proposals deal with plant health and marketing within the EC, replacing the com-plicated network of different phytosanitary laws and marketing regula-tions of the member states. At best, they could open up opportunities to export plants effectively and safely. This could mean better choice as new garden plants find their way more quickly to Britain. The legislation will take the form of a directive, which permits flexibil-

ity of interpretation within member countries. Maff says: "The directive should have little or no impact on amateur, charitable and small local producers", and has given its assurance that costs and administration will be kept to a minimum.

When these new rules come into effect in 1993 we should still be able to buy popular lines at garden centres and superstores, uncommon plants from specialist nurser-ies, and good home-raised plants at charity stalls and on garden visits. The difference will be that most nurseries will have to be registered, and "plant passports" detailing the provenance of the goods will enable consignments of specified plants to be traced back to the grower in the event of serious disease or pests being discovered.

Growers who produce plants which fall into a category defined as being of "major economic impor-tance", which includes roses, lilies, gerbera, narcissus, ornamental apples and pears (though not neces-sarily all the kinds of species or cultivars included in these general, require additional accreditation. which should ensure basic standards of plant health for customers.

Registered nurseries should be able to carry out the accreditation. evidence of it being shown on the growers selling only in their local area will be exempt.

Much of the misunderstanding

and anxiety about this legislation was due to the oppressive nature of the early proposals, now much ameliorated. There are still matters of detail and definition to be worked out, such as mail order, but there seems, at present, no cause for panic on ornamental plants.



Healthy: narcissus and garden daffodils are among the plants likely to be affected by the new rules

BEST BUY

FEBRUARY is the month of the naturalised common snowdrop (Galanthus nivalis), growing in white drifts in woodlands and grass. They can be introduced to the garden as bulbs in autumn, or over the next few weeks as plants. Look out for variations such as the elegant Magnet, Scharlockii with overhanging, leaf-like ears, tall Sam Arnott, or the stocky double form Flore Pleno. The named varieties and hybrids are better grown in beds. Ensure the ground contains plenty of humus-rich organic matter to help retain moisture.



Nodding heads of snowdrops

• Sow greenhouse tomatoes at 68F/20C, reducing to 55F/13C when seedlings are showing.

WEEKEND TIPS

 Prepare the ground for sowing a new lawn, digging it over, levelling and firming and removing all weeds. Sow sweet peas in deep seed

trays or individual pots. Continue to plant fruit trees and bushes. Divide up and replant

crowded clumps of snowdrops after flowering but while the leaves are still green.

MY PERFECT WEEKEND

We ask people in the public eye to reveal the private fantasies that would turn a weekend into 48 hours of pure magic

KIT HESKETH HARVEY

Entertainer

Where would you go? When you're travelling all over the place for most of the time. the treat is to stay at home. So I'd not budge from Norfolk. How do you get there? Up the MII, in less than two

hours. No airports. Bliss. Where would you stay? In bed, mostly. Vita Sackville-West said that there is no greater pleasure than lying on linen sheets, listening to wood pigeons. I suspect she's right. Who would be your perfect

companion? Norfolk is already crammed with perfect — because likeminded — companions: Stephen Fry. David Chol-mondeley — as Byronic as his courtesy title, the Earl of Rocksavage, could lead any-body to hope — and the Queen. What essential piece of clothing would you take? Rough, army-surplus sort of thermals, perfect for penitential

mass at Walsingham. Which medicines? None. Norfolk is its own tonic. What would you have to eat? Brown shrimps, fished by our children on hot afternoons at Holkham, or netted on moonlit August nights. Samphire, picked on the marshes. Big.

slippery jack mushrooms from Thetford forest. French cheeses from Swaffham market. What would you take to read? Penguin whodunits, set in Neverland English records — if I

can find any I've not already read. What would you listen to? Our old drawing-room piano, played after Saturday dinner by our neighbour, the young composer James McConnel. I hope he'd play Sondheim, who was our mutual teacher, and the only living genius I've met.

television?
Television is for weekdays. But I do love watching the My Little Pony advertisements with the children, first thing.

What would you watch on

What film would you watch? The new Merchant-Ivory Howards End, of which I've just had



sneak preview. It's a master piece. Vanessa Redgrave blisters the celluloid.

Would you play any sport? I'd shoot a pheasant, just enough for the pot. I reckon that a pheasant, put down as a chick. has a better life and a cleaner death than a lump of pre-basted styrofoam from a supermarket. What luxury would you take? Hello! magazine.

What piece of art would you like to have there?

We've a ramshackle beach-hut at Hunstanton which, being west-facing, gets acid house sunsets.

Who would be your least welcome guest?

A red-breasted nuthatch. We took a friend to Holkham. promising unspoit seclusion. Sadly, that morning a rare nuthatch had the same idea. By the afternoon, 5,000 twitchers had arrived, cameras positioned like heavy artillery, from as far away as Oslo and Menhyr Tydfil.

What three things would you leave behind? The election, the election, the

What would you like to find when you got home? That some Caliban had lit the

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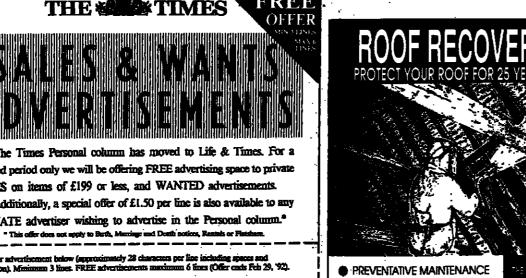
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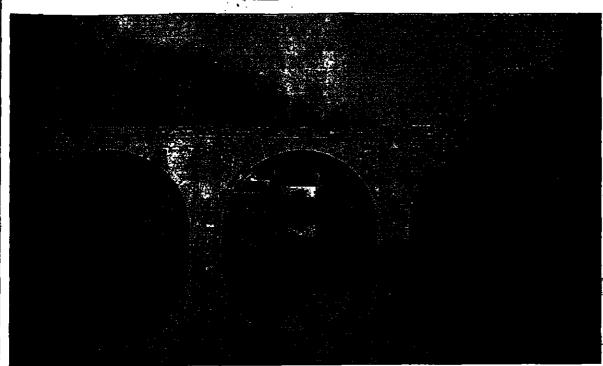
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WHERE TO WALK



Artist's inspiration: the 18th-century Prebends Bridge below the cathedral, a scene painted by Turner in 1834

This is a cimular walk beginning and ending at the cathedral, encompassing parts of the old city, riverbank and country woodland, and offering superb vistas of cathedral and castle from a distance.

From the cathedral north door, cross Palace Green and descend the steep cobbles of Owengate, with its 15th-century timber-framed house. and Saddler Street, site of the city's oldest surviving shopfront at no. 43.
Turn right to cross the 12th-century Elvet Bridge. Take the path behind the Swan and Three Cygnets pub, and follow the river along Elvet Waterside and out of the city by the university playing fields, once a racecourse. Old Durham rises majestically behind. Follow the river for about threequarters of a mile. At the rear of the crested cricket pavilion, turn left along a metalled lane, then immediately right down a track by a wire fence. This is a delightful river-side path under the wooded bluff of Maiden Castle, an Iron Age fort.

Just before a modern footbridge. follow the path to the right and cross the road with care. Continue on the path directly opposite which skirts Great High Wood. After three-quarters of a mile, look for a wooden bench and turn left down a waymarked foothpath, signposted Houghall Discovery Trail, through a meadow. At the postbox by Houghall Farm turn right up a marked path, which follows the embankment of an old wagon-way that once brought coal into Durham.

At the foot of the hill turn right into the wood and follow obvious paths which climb the bank on to the metalled Hollingside Lane, near the university's botanic gardens. A little further along the lane turn right down a gated track by the pyramid-shaped Fountains Hall, keeping right of the modern Mount Joy research centre.



Colin Wilbourn's curious "trees"

down to Mount Joy Farm, where cathedral and castle again appear in splendour on the skyline.

Turn left at the farm down to the main road, and follow the walled path directly opposite, with the cathedral ahead and above. Cross another road opposite the 12th-century St Oswald's church, with its fine Norman

a curious sculpture (1989) by Colin Wilbourn. Take the left-hand path that climbs the hill directly beneath the cathedral's Galilee chapel. Turn right to regain Palace Green. About five miles. Hilly in parts; woodland paths may be muddy after rain.
Palace Green is at 273423 on OS
Landranger series 88 (Tyneside and Dur-ham). More detail on OS Pathfinder series 572 (Durham). Detailed city walks leaflets from tourist information office, Market Place (091-384 3720).

nave. Go through the churchyard and follow the path which leads leftwards

down into the thickly wooded Wear

gorge, following the river bank to the beautiful 18th-century Prebends Bridge with the cathedral towering

above, painted by Turner in 1834.

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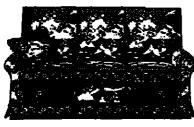
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DURHAM

Alan Hamilton salutes the unknown architects of Durham cathedral, nearing its 900th birthday

ere is a tempting but sadly improb-able thought. A group of avantgarde, 12th-century architects, dismissive of calls to build by traditional methods and to a human scale, decide to throw up something truly enormous and out of all proportion to people, a veritable Canary Wharf of a creation that can be seen for miles sprouting from a high tract of hitherto undeveloped green belt land. Moreover, they will construct it by dangerously daring and wholly untried prin-

But, being a canny lot, they think they will execute their grandiose scheme somewhere a bit out of the way, on the very edge of the civilised world where the authorities are pliable on the matter of planning consent and building regulations. Where, also, if their bold new construction theories happen to

prove as unsound as the flats of Ronan Point there will be nobody to witness the failure except the local rude Anglo-Saxon peasantry.
They need not have worried. Durham Cathedral, give or take an occasional crack and collapse over the centuries, still stands, and next year cele-brates its 900th birth-

day as one of the keystones of European architecture the last great shrine to a Saxon saint, the finest Romanesque, church in Europe, and the, first to employ the Gothic engineering which fields up all subsequent medieval

Durham was builton motives far greater than the mere selfaggrandisement of its anonymous archi-

To Sir Walter Scott it was "half church of God. half castle 'gainst the Scot'; an immense declaration of Christian faith by

a people barely two generations out of barbarism, and an intimidating statement that the Norman conquest had reached Northumbria, with every intention of staying.

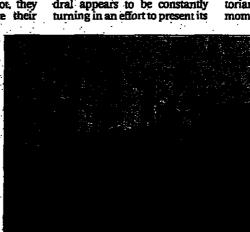
Pilgrims on their way to do homage to Cuthbert, the most

revered saint of the north country, must have had their breath taken away as they breasted the hill of Mount Joy to the south (see accompanying walk) to be confronted with their first sight of by far the largest man-made object they would ever have seen. Durham's majesty arises from its position as much as its size, and the true unsung heroine of this glorious creation is an unknown milkmaid.

Legend, commemorated by a carving on the cathedral's north front, tells of the band of monks who fled with the coffin of their blessed Cuthbert to escape the Danish raids on Lindisfarne, and wandered many a year in search of a permanent resting place. The young woman broke off her milking to lead them to a high and secret wooded bluff above a loop in the River Wear.

Pevsner, in his Buildings of England, considers three of the ourstanding architectural ex-periences of Europe to be Prague, Avignon and Durham, and the finest of these, because it springs from woods and living rock, to be Durham.

Railway passengers on their way to Newcastle know it well; as the train follows a wide loop around Durham city, the cathedral appears to be constantly





Cathedral splendour outside (top) and nave

best face. Samuel Johnson did not much care for it, but he could be a curmudgeonly old buffer. "The cathedral has a massiveness and solidity such as I have seen in no other place; it rather awes than pleases, as it strikes with a kind of gigantick

dignity."
Robert Hegge, writing in 1626, thought better: "He that hath seen the situation of this Citty, hath seene the map of Sion, and may save a journey to

Jerusalem. John Arnold, the present dean of Durham, regards his charge as anything but gloomy. "It has a great sense of strength and solidity, but it is very welcoming, warm in tone. And it is a very humane building, a tremendous expression of our

Christian humanism." The dean says it was also a very brave project on which its creators took tremendous risks, employing for the first time in one place the brand-new ideas

of the pointed arch, the flying buttress, and high stone vaulting, when all church roofs before were of wood.

"This was not designed by a computer; it must have been conceived in someone's mind's eye. And buildings like this were not put up by slaves; they were erected by craftsmen who believed in what they were doing. The Normans had a tremendous sense of the grandeur and majesty of God. Yet Durham, although Christian, has some of the power and vigour of barbarism about it.'

Alec Clifton-Taylor, the historian and critic, regarded the moment of entering Durham cathedral as "an

architectural experiforgotten: one of the greatest that England has to offer". Even by large cathe-

dral standards, it is stunning, not only because of its scale and the welcoming warmth of its ancient sandstone, but because of its complete harmony. One of the least altered of all our cathedrals, it was substantially comvaulted throughout in only 40 years, a prodigious achievement. Only three later

additions are of significance: the great central lantern tower: the Galilee chapel containing the tomb of the Venerable Bede (a piece of later building which unform nately deprives Durham of a traditionally majestic west front; and the Chapel of the Nine Altars at the east end. an extension as exuberantly early English Gothic as the main building is Ro-The speed with

which the main fabric was put up suggests that the builders were constantly looking over their shoulders

lest the marauding Scots sweep down from the Tweed to desecrate their work before it was finished. During a brief and rare period of border peace, the first

bishop astutely invited King Malcolm of Scotland to the laying of the foundation stone in 1093, reminding him no doubt that the blessed Cuthbert would have been an Edinburgh boy, had that city been built in his

Durham subsequently remained the only border stronghold never to fall to Scottish invaders, ruled as it was by the prince bishops: powerful vice-roys who wielded temporal as well as spiritual power over the northeast on behalf of their distant king.

They lived in high style in the adjoining castle, each adding

his arms to the exterior walls and altering the building to his own whim, with the result that it is now a mighty jumble of styles,



Model site: Durham ca



Bargain hunters: shoppe

a warren of a residence university students. The 13th-century banqui hall, marginally less grand that of Christ Church, Ox remains largely intact, with the portraits of deans dons. But the castle's doubted gem is a tiny virtually untouched 12th tury Norman chapel . within its bowels, its natt patterned pink and yellow: stone and its two tiny windows giving the appeal of a catacomb hewn from rock, rather than a stru

built on top of an English.
The chapel is medievally
on the brightest of days. cathedral across Palace G on the other hand, ha welcomes the sun to warm i stone piliars.

During a recent visit the swarmed with electric installing a subtle new light system which will add & interior's theatricality with

Rooms vacant – bring your own an Instead of showering guests with ever more lavish

re hotels moving with the times — the leanest, A toughest times in living memory? Many have gone into receivership in the past year, yet you will often see little outward sign of the anxiety behind the scenes. Nothing seems to have changed apart from the paucity of fellow guests. Staff may have been laid off, and there could be some discreet cost-cutting in the kitchens - an ingredient not quite what it says on the menu

 but otherwise it's business very much as usual. In your bathroom you will still find plenty of freebies, and in . the smarter establishments, hotel-headed notepaper and envelopes, a profusion of magazines, complimentary sherry and bowls of fruit. There may also be room-tidying while one is dining, a daily set of fresh towels, a chocolate on the pillow and the nightie laid out "waisted" on the

In the dining-room some set menus are grotesquely long. You may still be served one or two amuse-gueules before the

meal proper, and a plate of friandises at the end - I've even come across a restaurant that serves three little appetisers at the start of a grande bouffe as well as a vast platter of petit-

fours at the end.

Meanwhile London's newest; most glamorous, most flagrantly expensive hotel, The Lanes-borough on Hyde Park Corner, which opened its doors just over a month ago, is playing "we can go one better" up to the hilt. If you have booked a suite - and half the 95 rooms are suites the hotel will send a limo to collect you at the airport; but all guests, in suites or not, can order a limo to take them anywhere in London within a five-mile radius. If you occupy the Royal Suite (£2,500 a night excluding VAT) a limo and chauffeur are at your call at all. hours. No carafes of sherry at

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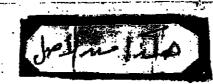
tary decanters of Scotch, gin and sherry are provided for all. Guests have their own butler; every room has its own telephone and fax number, and guests are given on arrival a little leather pouch with visiting cards already printed with their name and private numbers. And of course there are CD stereo systems, video-cassette players, briefcase-sized safes, air-conditioning and other everyday five star facilities.

freebies, perhaps hotels should cut costs and prices

At a time when so many hotels are pricing themselves out of the market, these attempts to entice more custom often appear des-perately self-defeating. Hotels should be seeking ways to offer better value by charging less, not by constantly piling on more pampering inducements. Shops have sales. Airlines have always been ready to lower their tariffs in season and out to attract more travellers. But hotels, ex-

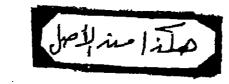
cept in the cities, have b strangely reluctant to disco openly. Bargain weekends acceptable, and most ho have a special corporate fi Not much else. Why don't he borrow the stand-by idea if airlines and theatres and o their rooms at half price if \$ still have vacancies after 6p No one, as far as I know. tried this in the UK, though has been practised successfi on the Continent.

Hotels are way behind restaurant trade in recognis the growing demand shorter, lighter meals, using extravagant as well as health ingredients. "I'd just like starter please" is a sentence no one should be embant to utter. And while there many who relish the frills of. expensive hotel, there are oth who feel uncomfortable at conspicuous consumptit



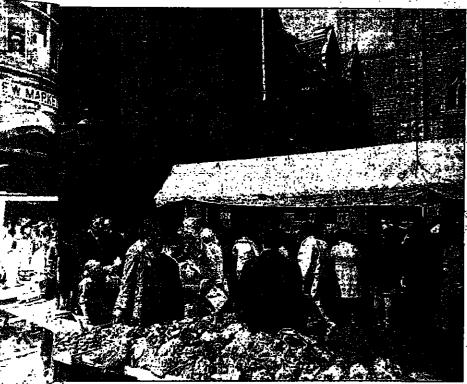
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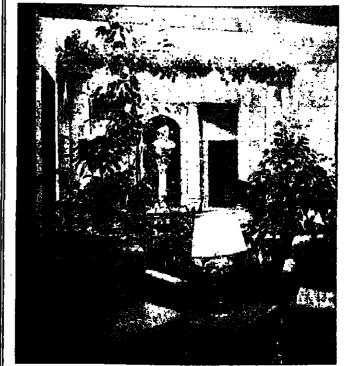
ig the market. Durham's medieval street plan is intact, but not its architecture Knock here for sanctuary Golden prose: fragment from a 12th-century illuminated Bible



St Cuthbert's garnet cross



★ WHERE TO STAY ★



Cromwell was (possibly) here: inside the Royal County Hotel

Jacobean town houses, and now much extended, the Royal County Hotel is the place to stay in Durham. Five minutes steeply downhill from the cathedral, it commands excellent views of Old Durham from its riverside position. Charles I and Cromwell may have stayed here; Edward VII certainly did, his visit earning the regal prefix. Four-star, very central and elegantly comfortable, the hotel still retains its historic oak staircase brought from Loch Leven castle, where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned. Much more recent is the hotel's leisure club. Much the best hotel in the area, the Royal County offers weekend breaks from E85 per person for two nights' dinner, bed and breakfast (091-386 6821).

Equally central, but slightly more functional, is the Three Tuns Hotel, owned like the Royal County by Vaux, the Sunderland brewery group. This former 16th-century

coaching inn offers weekend breaks on a par with its grander sister round the corner (091-Narved from a row of 386 4326).

Something of a curiosity is Lumley Castle, six miles north of Durham near Chester-le-Street. A 14th-century pile with an extraordinary interior stuffed with an eclectic collection of antiques and bric-abrac, reminiscent of an Arabian bazaar. Single rooms from £55, but special breaks available (091-389 1111). Very central, but cheaper, is the Georgian Town House in

Crossgate, a tall terrace building in a cobbled street close to the cathedral. Proprietor Janet Weil gives it a personal touch. with pretty patterned wall-paper and fabrics, and plenty of flowers. B&B from about £35 (091-386 8070).

Budget travellers are recommended to Mrs Williams's Cas-tle View Guest House, an 18thcentury listed building in Crossgate, with B&B from about £20 (091-386 \$852).

X WHERE TO EAT X

 Durham is a university city, well served by cheap and cheerful Italian restaurants, of which there are at least nine, an Indian and a new but woefully disappointing Chinese. Memorable eating experiences are thin on the ground outside hotel dining rooms, of which the Royal County is much the best, ofcourse dinner (full regetarian menu if desired) in the County restaurant from

£18.25. Good wine list and brisk, attentive service in commendable comfort. The adjoining Bowes Brasserie is open all day for more informal eating.

• Three miles from the city in the village of Pittington, to-

wards Sunderland, is Haligarth Manor, a converted small manor house more smart than chintzy, with a restaurant leaning towards nouvelle cuisine and mildly exotic dishes but, according to local opinion, with reasonably substantial portions.

 City centre restaurants patronised by the student popubert (offshoot of a pub named the Victoria, ho ho) in Hallgarth Street, and Rafters in Claypath. Both reasonably priced, but neither likely to star in the foodie guides. Coffee, Danish pastries or light lunch in the cathedral cafeteria are welcome relief from foot-slogging and neck-craning at architectural glories.

one hopes, turning it into some gimmicky period-piece stage set. The present-day cathedral authorities acknowledge that, as the 20th century cannot match the genius of the original builders, its best contribution is to light their work properly.

own in the dim light of the Treasury be-neath the monks' dormitory. Durham displays some of its dazzling artefacts. But the glittering richness of the cathedral plate pales beside the early gold and hather-bound Bibles, their parchment pages alive with the endless years of monastic labour that produced the Celtic beauty of illuminated gospels.

Here, too, are Cuthbert's 7th-century gold and garnet pec-toral cross, splendid gold-embroided maniples from his tomb, and the oaken remains of his much-disturbed coffin. Cuthbert's great draw as a

saint was that every time the monks lifted the lid to gaze upon his earthly remains, they miraculously stayed in a perfect state of preservation; they even cut his fingernails regularly with a pair of silver scissors. He was inspected in 1104, as he was being moved to his final rest in the new cathedral, and despite being well over 400 years old he still looked in good condition. When a group of sceptical academics and clerics, unable to contain their curiosity at the legend any longer, opened the tomb in 1827 they found to their dismay, but not entirely to their surprise, that Cuthbert

bones.
While Cuthbert has decayed. his mighty shrine still stands after more than 30 generations. That the stones breathe such age as no living being may aspire to is a powerful element in its appeal. Below the cathedral, Durham

had finally become a pile of

city retains its winding, hilly, medieval street plan, but little of its medieval domestic architec-ture. It is a tightly-built place, described by Defoe as "a little

compact neatly contriv'd city". There will be much celebration of Durham's 900th next year, although the dean and chapter are anxious to present their cathedral as a living thing and not an ancient relic. But I can think of no greater draw than that they borrow back the Lindisfarne Gospels, as they did several years ago, from the British Library, and mount another display of that exquisite Celtic art that even the conquering Normans found far too beautiful to destroy.

● Durham Cathedral is open daily. 7.15am-6pm, admission free. Trea-sury. 10am-4.30pm (2-4.30pm Sun), 60p, child 10p. Castle in-terior by guided tour only; Mon. Wed., Sat. 2-4.30pm in winter, £1.30, child 50p. Enquiries: 091-374.3800



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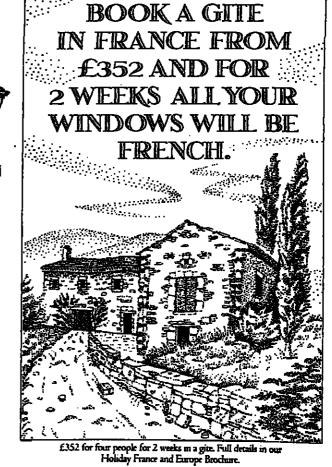
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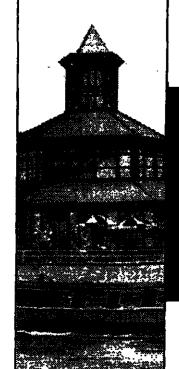
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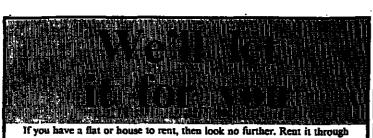
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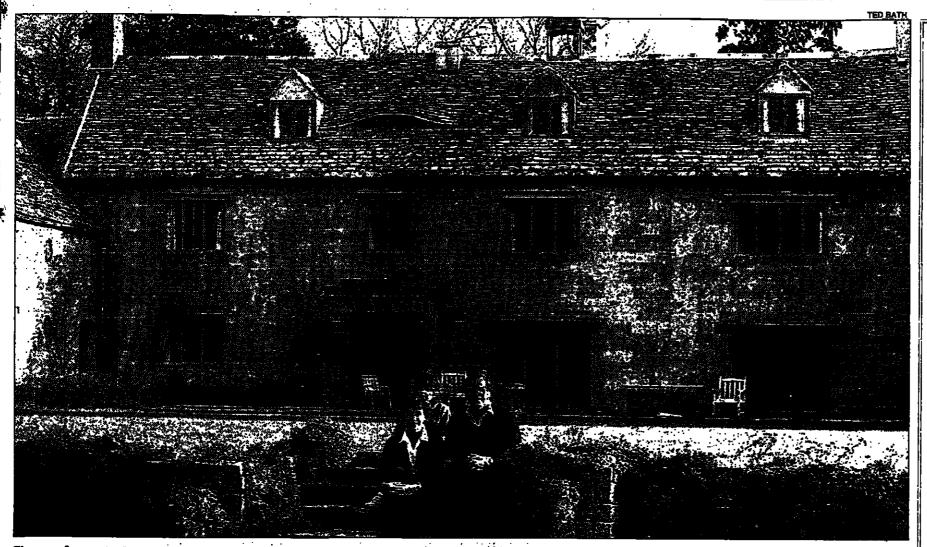
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Change of pace: Anthony and Rosie Cheetham and 18-year-old Flavia at their Gloucestershire retreat. The relaxed lifestyle helped Flavia to speak for the first time

To the manor fled

Home from home: Anthony and Rosie Cheetham

ublishers Anthony and Rosie Cheetham's tenyear-old daughter, Emma, always longed for a house with two staircases and "a big muddly garden". She got both when her parents bought their weekend home in Gloucestershire two years ago.

In fact, the rambling manor house has four staircases and the garden is about six acres of

For Mr Cheetham, who spent a displaced childhood moving around the world with his parents his father. Sir Nicolas Cheetham, was a diplomat - their weekend retreat is a place where he feels he can put down roots.

I always wanted somewhere on the edge of a village, near enough to walk to the pub," he says. He fled to Gloucestershire after losing his job as chairman of the Random Century Group, the publishing giant, last October. "I was so used to thinking of it as a treat one did one's work and then had

The feeling lasted for about a week. By that time he and Mrs Cheetham had planned a new future. They have now bought publishers Weidenfeld & Nicolson, and set up Orion Books.

Mr Cheetham, 48, is currently sharing the southwest London office of Lord Weidenfeld, who has continued as chairman, while Mrs Cheetham works from their sixbedroom house in southeast

On Friday nights, with Emma and her sister Rebecca, nine, they head for Gloucestershire. The manor stands in its own grounds, with stables, a little river, a ten-acre paddock for their four horses and another 90 acres that Mr Cheetham rents out to a local farmer to graze his sheep.

of the week — and the idea of "We've chopped down the endless suddenly having limitless time elders and brambles and added there seemed immensely at two fields to what had been the garden. We're turning it into an English garden — wild, with native plants. There is also what we rather grandly call the arbore-

tum, which has about 60 trees."

The house, built of honey-coloured Cotswold stone, has about 25 smallish rooms, which means that the Cheethams can have weekend house parties for colleagues and friends.

r Cheetham says one of the best things about the house is that "if we have three or four people to stay, they are not crowded on top of each other. The house has an extraordinary ability to absorb people. You don't have that feeling everyone is roaring around." Despite the number of rooms,

"In the past two years more and more words have poured out." Mrs Cheetham says. "She feels secure there. Her bedroom overooks the stables and she spends a lot of time with the horses. It seems to have liberated her."

talk for the first time.

The house is very much a community, with a full-time housekeeper, a woman who tends the horses, a twice-weekly cleaner and part-time gardeners. -

house. It has also become a base

for Mr Cheetham's three children

by his first marriage - Nicolas,

has proved to be particularly

therapeutic for Flavia, who is handicapped. "She absolutely loves it," her father says. Since living there, Flavia has started to

20, Flavia, 18, and Oliver, 15. It

For the first year the Cheethams shared the house with a team of workmen, who converted an old barn into a 120ft library with

So far it houses about 2,000, including Mrs Cheetham's collection of 19th-century children's writers, poetry, and her husband's books on the Middle Ages.

The library is equipped with telephones and a fax and serves as part-time office. It was from there that the Cheethams planned their future after parting company with Random Century.

Mr Cheetham always takes

work down at weekends. "I sometimes feel the week is for socialising and making telephone calls and the weekend is when the serious work gets done," he says. Mr Cheetham has tried to create

tradition by which the whole family converge on their Gloucestershire house in August. "Weekends seemed to go by in a

flash in London. Now we get down to Gloucestershire on Friday evening full of plans about what we're going to do. It has made weekends seem like four days instead of

Heap of the week: Eggesford House, Devon

Fateful marriage

ggesford House is an eeric ruined shell, romantically set in beautiful countryside, telling a story of Lecline as tragic as any coun-

try house in Britain. Built in 1822, the house was designed by Thomas Lee. the architect of Arlington Court in north Devon, which belongs to the National Trust. Lee won awards while a student at the Royal Academy but drowned

when he was aged 40.
Early photographs of Eggesford show a rich example of
Regency Tudor-Gothic, with interiors full of tracery doors, pendant ceilings, crested wainscotings and battlemented bookcases.

mented bookcases.
Records show that Lord
Chichester "builded a fayre
house" here in James I's reign,
but this house was rebuilt by
William Fellowes in the early 18th century, and described as being of brick with grounds "laid out under the direction of Mr Richmond", the landscape

gardener. Lee or his client, the Hon. Newton Fellowes, chose a new site above the river Taw. The vast estate then passed by marriage to the Earl of Portsmouth, and the cause of Eggesford's demise was the all too common one of a family making a choice between two country seats: the 6th earl preferred to live at Hurst-bourne Park in Hampshire, and Eggesford, with 3,277 acres, was sold in 1913 by

Knight Frank and Rutley.
The particulars mentioned a magnificently timbered park of 300 acres, two miles of carriage drive, every variety of ornamental shrub, avenues of chestnuts, a long gallery and six staterooms, 30 bed and dressing rooms, stabling for 40 horses, and the curiosity of a "stamp room", apparently

decorated with postage stamps. A contemporary newspaper cutting records the most dreaded fate of all: "Sold for £85,000 to a timber merchant. Mr Green of Chesterfield ... the lifth large estate purchased by Mr Green in 12 months." Less than a year later. Eggesford was back on the market, divided into 83 lots.

A 1917 cutting in the local library at Chulmleigh records "The house was stripped of its fittings and the roof removed. The park was cut up and many of the magnificent trees felled."

two years later the newly formed Forestry Com-mission moved in, and its characteristic signature is all too visible today. Throughout Devon, it is said, there are numerous houses containing

relics of poor Eggesford.

Now the ruined shell and 83 acres are for sale, though the guide price of £350.000 seems high for a house in this state. Mid-Devon district council has granted the owners, the Chambers family trust, plan-ning permission to rebuild the main shell as an eight-bedroom house and to create three further houses in the ruined outbuildings.

Susan Teal, whose greatuncle bought the ruin in 1929. says: "The main walls are in a stable state, and from the clock tower there is the most breathtaking panorama of Devon countryside you can imagine."

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Seeking a new romance: Eggesford House, priced at £350,000

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Fish and whisky nips

bout the only fun to be had out of selling a house is speculating on why pro-spective buyers are interested in the property. What sort of person, for instance, would want Garlandmore, a turn-of-the-century stone farmhouse on the edge of Moray-

shire's Spey valley?
A couple of miles south of the distillery village of Knockandhu and within a few miles of famous names like Macallan and Glenlivet, the house is in stunning countryside a few minutes from the River Spey and some of the best salmon fishing in Britain.

Garlandmore's location, therefore, suggests strong interest from either a serious fisherman or a dedicated malt whisky drinker. Solid, if modest, farmhouses such as Garlandmore were built

all over the northeast of Scotland

between the 1890s and the beginning of the first world war. They were mostly of a similar layout: a kitchen or parlour on one end of the house with a box bedroom under the stairs and the best room (for weddings and funerals) at the far end of the house along the hall. Upstairs, two bedrooms with dormer windows

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and a box room between the two. The present owners, a prepschool master and his wife, have built a well-proportioned extension at the back that now gives them a kitchen with multi-fuel Rayburn and gas hob.

The box bedroom under the stairs has been knocked through to the old kitchen, which still retains the original fireplace, thus creating an L-shaped living-room. The old gas mantles still work off bottled gas, although the house is on mains electricity.

On the first floor the extension above the new kitchen has provid-



ed another two bedrooms, making four altogether.

A new Victorian-style conservatory has been built on to the south gable of the house.

But the prospects for further expansion are limitless. Garland-

little farm, although the land has been sold off. The range of solid stone and slate steadings (or barns) is in remarkably good condition, forming a protective snuggle of buildings within a few yards of the back door.

Roses and clematis proliferate outside. The cart sheds are now garages and the cattle byre and stables retain the original cobbles and animal stalls.

The property is being sold by Brodies (15 Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, EH3 8HA, 031-228 4111) for offers of more than £105,000.

Gaining a first in mortar

he news that there is movement in the housing market is being greeted with relief by all but first-time buyers. They are happier when

property is in the doldrums. Even so, first-time buyers have rarely had it so good. Wooed by the government with the suspension of stamp duty until mid-August, and by building societies with the decision to lower the mortgage rate for new borrowers. they find they can pick and choose between properties representing excellent value for money. Most of all they can realise the dream of every property speculator and find

real bargains.
All round the country surveyors and valuers are now routinely down-valuing properties, often producing estimates well below the asking price.

With the budget and a general election looming, building societies are hoping for even more incentives from the government. 'We would like to see the mortgage interest tax relief limit raised to £45,000," Mark Hemingway, of the Halifax Building Society, says. "First-time buyers have everything going for them. There are a lot of properties to choose from, there is no urgency to buy. and with all the schemes and packages available, they can get an almost tailor-made deal."

Where are the real bargains, and how do you find them? Empty properties present an obvious opBefore house prices pick up, first-time buvers can still have a field day

a variety of reasons - the death of the previous owner, for example, or an owner putting a formerly rented property on to the market to cut his losses - but invariably they will be costing the vendor a lot of money to maintain, and can be worth negotiating for. There may also be bargains in former commercial properties such as pubs and shops now coming on to the residential market. In Buxton, Derbyshire, the agent Frank Marshall is selling a shop with a maisonette above for £52,000. If planning permission is forthcoming from the local council — and many councils are tending to look favourably on properties being converted for residential use — this could result in a three-storey house

worth nearly twice that.

Already installed in the same town are Christopher Heald, aged 22, a travel agent, and Andrea Ainley, a safety co-ordinator with a construction company. They bought a Victorian, three-bedroom limestone terrace cottage for £39,950 last December. It had first gone on the market in April 1991 at £46,500. The vendors reduced the price when they found somewhere else to buy, and wanted a quick sale.

Mr Heald and Ms Ainley had been looking at properties for a year and snapped it up when the



Bargain for Heald and Ainley price dropped. "It had been far too

high for us before that," Mr Heald says. "But it was exactly what we were looking for, and suddenly it was at a price we could afford."

There is also the possibility of finding a bargain among proper-

ties developers have acquired in part exchange for new houses, or in new houses themselves. "Builders have been prepared to lower prices by as much as 20 per cent. Raymond Butterworth, of Eddisons in West Yorkshire, says. Many have also been offering incentives to new buyers, such as

paying legal fees. One type of property that has always represented a good deal is a dated and unmodernised house. They have always attracted firsttime buyers who are prepared to put up with a little discomfort in return for a lot of property for their

Finally, there are repossessions. With more than 80,000 in 1991. and after a government and building society initiative that came too late to help many, repossessed houses and flats are selling well below their normal market value. Identifying them can sometimes be difficult. "You may need to be a bit of a detective," Adrian Snook, of Bridgfords in Northwich, Cheshire, says. "Obvious pointers are shiny new locks and an empty

house.' The advantage of buying a repossessed property is that there is no vendor hanging on for the best offer. "Prices will vary according to the amount the building societies need to recover," says Shirley McGuire of the agent Barnard Marcus in Battersea, south London.

est value of all, he says, are repossessed former council repossessed former council houses. "These properties give the most bricks and mortar for the least price." Mr Snook says. And it may mean getting an extra bedroom. Mr Snook recently sold a three-bedroom semi in poor condition for £38,500 in Middlewich. A Victorian terrace house in the same area with just two bedrooms costs £39,950. The drawback is that former council houses are unlikely to appreciate in value so quickly when the market eventually turns. "They will not be as saleable as a house of private origin," Mr Snook says. They tend to be surrounded by tenanted properties and there is still a stigma attached to them."

Until confidence returns to the housing market and worries about the perceived threat of unemployment subside, home owners are still tending to move only when forced to, for job or family reasons. That means first-time buyers will remain ahead of the game. It is, as they say, an ill wind.

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or just E22,000 (including agent's fees) you can buy this pretty terrace house (left) in a peaceful hamlet a few miles from the medieval town of Mayenne, in the region of the same name. The ferry port of St Malo is about 90 minutes' drive. The old stone house has been

fully renovated and is ready to move into. It has a kitchen and storage room on the ground floor, a living-room, double bedroom and modernised bathroom upstairs, and another two bedrooms above. The price includes a large. secluded back garden with fruit trees and views over a wooded valley. (The UK agent is Normandy & Brittany Cottages, 62 Chesson Road, London W14,

The Mayenne, the northernmost department of the Loire, is somewhat overshadowed by its better-known neighbours. Nor-

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THE MAYENNE mandy and Brittany, and tends to

be ignored by British holiday-makers and house-hunters travelling through it to the Dordogne and the Charante.

A peaceful farming region, gen-tle and rolling in parts, with winding country lanes, it is rather like Devon, with a lot less rain. The area is also famous for its rustic cuisine, with a good range of charcuterie, strong cheese and

rich, pork-based patés. There is a good range of property in the area, from cottages and farm buildings to manor houses and chateaux, with plenty around for under £25,000. It is well-placed for excursions into the Loire valley and to the beaches of Normandy and Brittany. Le Mans, the mecca of motor racing, is practically on the

There are a number of historic towns in the Mayenne, including Laval and medieval Ste Suzanne. a fortified town on a hill. Houses in the area are mainly built of stone and have steeply sloping slate roofs, arched doorways, enormous oak beams and huge, open fireplaces.

doorstep.

Properties here are generally less expensive than in Normandy and Brittany, but will often need modernising. You can still find an old fermette (farm cottage) to restore with mains water and electricity and half an acre of land, for under £10,000. But you

will need to spend at least £25.000 for anything that is habitable. A large farmhouse in good condition with three or four

bedrooms, numerous out-buildings and up to 15 acres of agricultural land will set you back at least £30,000. Village houses, usually with two

bedrooms and room for expansion in the loft, offer the best value. These are often on mains drainage. Prices start at £15,000 for a small terrace house in need of some modernisation, but with all services intact.

Alternatively, there are maisons bourgeoises — rather grand, classically proportioned mansions generally located at the edge of a village. Many come with an acre or two of land and can be picked up for as little as £50,000.

CHERYL TAYLOR

Fairy stories at bedtime

Kay Marles meets a furniture maker whose designs for children come from the heart not the head

rightly painted cup-boards, alphabet friezes on the walls and a generous sprinkling of teddy bears and toys are the stuff that nurseries are usually made of. But for Mark Wilkinson, a furniture designer and maker, that wasn't

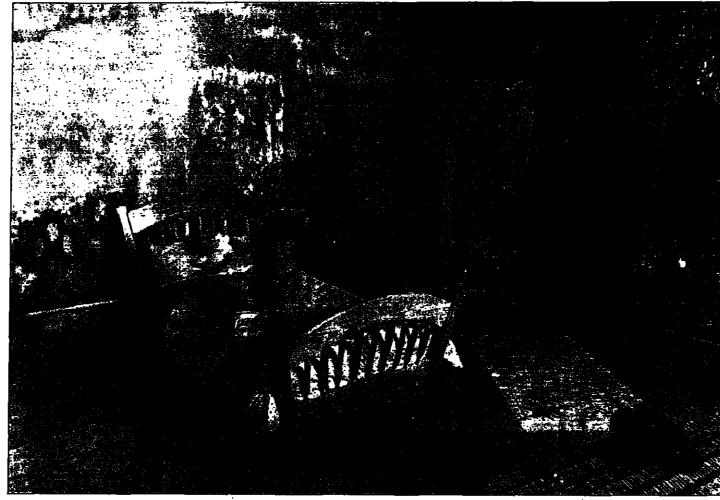
enough.
When he turned his attention to children's cupboards and wardrobes last year he wanted to use irregular shapes, as few right-angles as possible, and a large element of fantasy.
"I discovered that there had

been little innovation in children's furniture. I wanted to make something that looked nice and that children could use easily, without hurting themselves," he says.

Mr Wilkinson runs a company that makes kitchens, bedrooms, bathrooms and one-off pieces. It was a commission for a crib for the grandson of a pigeon shooter that sparked off the idea of making children's furniture. He made a substantial swinging crib with a roughly carved pigeon perched high above. "It was the obvious finishing touch," he says.

He is a fifth generation cabinet maker. He learnt from his father, who made scenery for television productions, and his grandfather, and by the age of 16 had acquired the skills of a master joiner. He has had no formal training in design and claims his ideas grow out of his dreams, and that he learnt to dream at school, where, as an unrecognised dyslexic, he was often unable to keep up.

In 1978, with two partners, he set up Smallbone of Devizes, which has become one of the most successful furniture making businesses of recent years. In 1982 he was bought out of the company. but resurfaced almost immediately with another business, where he employs more than 120 people. His wife Cynthia is managing director. Their children - Greg-



Dream ideas in the nursery: furniture maker Mark Wilkinson with his daughter Victoria, aged three, and the Goldilocks range

ory, aged 11, and Victoria, three, - adore the designs. "Victoria is so thrilled that she invites her friends to 'come up and see my Goldi-locks'," her mother says. "She especially loves the dressing table and chair. She keeps plastic necklaces in the trinket drawer and tissues in the big drawer. It all makes her feel quite grown up."

A hugely boyish character — even the flamboyantly russet moustache has a touch of the circus strongman about it - Mr Wilkinson had no difficulty dreaming up fantastical elements for his furniture.

He entertains from time to time in a fully fitted Gothic tree house he built several years ago in a field close to his factory, inviting guests to drinks and dinner via a steep and narrow wooden ladder.

He makes the children's furni-

ture mostly from ash, with some chestnut. "I like the associations of the ash tree," he says. "In Celtic mythology, the ash is the tree of protection and healing. I find that appropriate for children."

Goldilocks collection of children's furniture includes a cot-bed and ordinary bed, ward-robe, changing table, chest of drawers, dressing table, chair and bedside table. The design is clearly based on Disneyesque images, with distorted legs, exaggerated

shapes, sweeping curves and everything slightly off-centre. "These designs come from my emotional side," he says. "You can't come up with a design idea in your head, it has to come from the heart." There are teddy bear ears on the top of the wardrobe

around a teddy bear frieze, and more roughly bewn cleft staves in the head and foot boards of the bed and around the top of the wardrobe and changing table. For the crib, which is 45in high

and 45in long, he has used chestnut, but instead of inserting identical round bars, he has used staves cleft out of wet chestnut logs, which make the crib look rustic and quirky, and the wood soft and natural.

With furniture makers needing to tread a careful eco-line these days he imports the ash, through a merchant, from plantations in the United States, where trees are harvested and replanted much like any other crop. "I tend to use English timbers only for one off commission pieces, because I don't want to be a party to the depletion of timber here. I prefer

to see English timber standing up," he says.

His furniture looks and feels user-friendly. There is a low chest (E685) with three drawers side by side, which slide out easily and have firm stops, and a wardrobe (£737) with sloping sides. This has a hanging rail, shelf, and a deep

The Goldilocks chair, at £219, has an exaggeratedly high back with teddy bear ears, tapered legs and a traditionally sculpted, bobbin backed Windsor seat. The child's bed pictured is £710, and the dressing table costs £685. A wicker toy basket with wooden hinges on squat wooden bun feet

● Mark Wilkinson Furniture, Overton House, High Street, Bromham, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 2HA (0380 850004).

Calling collect

Telephone cards are fetching high prices and the hobby is spreading

The Greeks do not have a word for it. Telephone card collecting is a rapidly growing nobby in many countries, but the suggestion that it could be promoted as a rival to philately under the name "fusilately" is dismissed by the world's leading expert, Dr Steve Hiscocks.

Fusilately has no chance of becoming an international word," he says. "In France it would be taken to mean gun collecting, because fusil is French for a rifle." France is impossible to ignore because telephone card collecting is serious business there. Three days a week there is a street market largely devoted to tele-phone cards, on the Avenue Matignon by the Rond-Point des Champs-Elysées. A recent Paris fair had about 40 booths manned by telephone card dealers, who reckon they already have 25,000 regular customers. There are probably at least another 50,000

In Britain Dr Hiscocks, who gave up his job as a senior principal at the energy depart-ment to compile telephone card catalogues for Stanley Gibbons, is this weekend launching the hobby's first journal, International Telephone Cards

The first public telephone card was issued in Italy in January 1976. Britain followed suit in 1981. Now telephone cards are issued in at least 130 countries, some in a bewildering profusion of designs.

There are said to be a million telephone card collectors in Ja-" says Dr Hiscocks, "but the issuing policy there has been

utterly irresponsible, with nearly 100,000 different cards in

circulation already. The Japanese can even buy blanks and use a machine in the street to make telephone cards to

their own design, using a photo, business card or whatever." The first Japanese card issued is reported to changed hands for the equivalent of £28,000. Some French cards fetch prices up to £4,000. An early Tarwan pair reached £2,800.

n Britain, the first ten-unit Phonecard, of which 50,000 were issued originally at 50p each, is catalogued at £150 unused and £30 used. An early complimentary five-unit card (handed out free to familiarise the public with the Phonecard concept) is now worth £15 unused. Unused cards from Mercury's first issue at the end of July 1988

are worth £125.

The most valuable British card is the 40-unit DFS, used by the manufacturers Landis & Gyr to promote its solid state metering technology. Only 50 were issued. and any unused are now worth at least £I,200.

Whether you call it fusilately, télécartism, or a modern folly. Dr Hiscocks believes telephone card collecting, while still a cheap hobby to enter, has all the makings of a big collecting business, just like stamps or banknotes.

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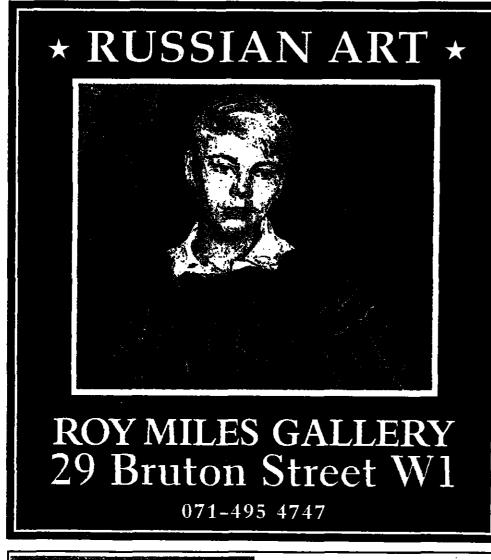
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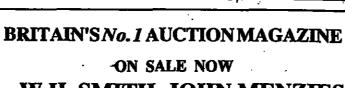
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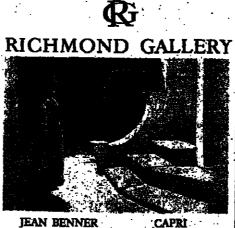
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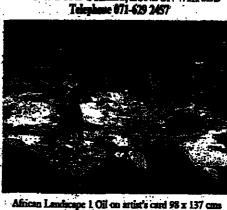
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Owl's in his barn, all's right with the world

errific news! I went out late the other rught was to get a bucketful of barley. The air was still, the sky clear and every sound for miles around was quite distinct. As I crept through the doors, I heard a rustling like that of a rat. But as I moved further the rustle became more urgent and out or the shows the came a winged white creature with urgent and out of the shadows circled once above me, eyeing me with his marbly stare, and flew into the night. We have a barn owl

in the barn. I cannot think of anything which has given me more delight. I take it as a seal of approval that the intelligent owl has found a little corner of the agricultural landscape of which he approves; or even a barn he finds comfortable.

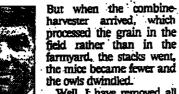
They don't build barns with crooked oak beams any more. A modern barn is clad in dreary scheets on a retired into from asbestos on a rusting iron framework. Nothing much there for a

FARMER'S DIARY: PAUL HEINEY

clawed foot to hold on to, or even a nice knot-hole in which to insert an inquisitive beak. When the rotten walls of our barn were replaced last year, we debated whether it was worth preserving a circular hole in

the apex of the roof, about the size of a dinner plate. After an old boy, who years ago laboured on this farm, insisted "you put that there ol" ole back in that barn for them of owls" we ordered the builder to carve the orifice. It has paid off handsomely.

Of course, to an owl finding a farm like ours must seem like dropping in on heaven. The owl population. I read, was at its greatest in the days when farmers kept their corn in stacks, and hay in ricks; these provided havens for hordes of mice and rats which in turn gave the owl his daily bread.



Well, I have removed all the mousetraps and the rat poison and our distinguished visitor can now eat away to his heart's

I wonder if anyone of influence is ever going to be as wise as the old owl and admit that traditional farming as practised in the first half of this century (and which we try to emulate on this farm), for all its financial faults and labouring hard-ships, was an inherently healthier way of farming the land. A student came to work here for a

few days and on his return to college told one of his tutors that we were growing a crop of vetches; or tares.



as they are known in these parts. The student was sharply reminded that this was an old-fashioned crop of no further use, and so not worth preserving. Is this poor lad receive ing a rounded education?

Vetches are green-leaved plants, sweet and luscious to graze. They

are equally tasty if made into hay or silage to produce high-protein feed. The roots fix fertilising nitrogen in the soil, and the plant's ability to form a dense mat means that any weeds cheeky enough to rear their heads are smothered at birth. So the vetch is a fertiliser, rich feedstuff

and effective weedkiller. Nowadays, all those properties could be supplied by applied chemicals. But if you had the choice, how would you prefer to manage your soil? With the virtue-packed vetch, or the questionable drum of chemical? And would you have the arrogance to declare that such a versatile plant was of no further use"? I have to admit, having grown

vetches last year and found them so dense that the horse-drawn mower could not move an inch through them - my fault for not having sown rve or oats with them to provide an upright stem for them to cling to - I cursed them, too. But a hired tractor-mower did the job, the horse-drawn tedder made the hay, and, having sweated under a crip-pling sun to stack it, I did curse the day I ever heard of the vetch. But it is now feeding the sheep, who fight for it like children scrabbling for sweets, and the stack will last right through the winter, and I am

I hope that the misguided lecturer was merely having a bad day: but if past form is anything to go by agriculture is not too careful with its precious past.

Were it not for the far-sighted breeders who kept alive the declining species, we would now have no Large Black pigs. No Alice.

At one stage it seemed as if the future of pigs lay in housing them in indoor intensive units. Outdoor pigs were assumed to be "no longer value". Now, of course, the outdoor pig is in fashion again. But where would modern breeders have gone to acquire the hardiness the modern outdoor pig requires if all the old bloodlines had been allowed

to die away?
And vetches, too, will have their day again. But if by that time they are rare, and those who preached their obsolescence try coming here for my precious seed, don't be surprised if I set the barn owl on them. We both know who our

Blazing saddles in Perth

Callum Murray meets up with the boots and stetsons set, intent on learning how to cast a long shadow on a quarter horse

European

tradition is

redundant.

What we offer

is handiness

n a corner of a big indoor ring, close to the chest-high. boarded perimeter fence, a man in a stetson is giving a horse a trying time. In the background, women riders with hard riding hats and straight backs trot in serene, disciplined circles.

The man swings one of the free ends of his rope in a long arc. behind him, catching his horse a deliberate crack across its powerful hind-quarters. It springs forward in a clumsy bound, snorting. But the man is ready for it, quickly bringing the horse back under control. Then he coaxes it into another manoeuvre, spinning it -

and this time the horse does what is asked of it, spinning round to trot quietly back.

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"So what's this?" asks a passing hard-hat sarcastically. "A cowboy meeting?" "No," one of the watching stetsons replies, with a hint of irritation. "It's Western horse-More manship. than that, this is a three-day Western

riding "clinic" at the Mark Phillips Equestrian Centre at the Gleneagles Hotel in Perthshire, Scotland. Fifteen Western riding enthusiasts have paid £100 each to attend, most bringing

their own horses. The clinic has been organised by Kathleen Edwards, a Canadian who began Western riding after she moved to Scotland seven years ago. She says she is not making a profit from the clinic. The fees cover the hire of the ring, the instructor's plane fare, hotel bill and modest

The instructor is Len Yule of Kentucky, who is sitting still on the horse and making it bend its face back towards him until its nose almost touches his knee.

In a few minutes he finishes the training session and walks over to the spectators. There are some traditionalists who object to Western training techniques, claiming they are cruel. Clearly Mr Yule is a little concerned about the impression his methods might make on the inexperienced.

"I literally took physical control," he explains. "In about 15 minutes I had her going deep into the corners. She has been allowed to waffle and flop about. Other people set up situations. I have to be the bad guy and sort it out."

Western riding has its origins in the highly practical discipline of cattle herding, where there was no time for wilful or nervy behaviour of the kind often associated with horses kept for pleasure.

"Horses get spoilt because you accept that kind of behaviour," is one of Mr Yule's many maxims. If it

is any consolation to the traditionalists, the modern Western horse has speaking. "If your horse lost you a cow in the old days," a Western horse breeder tells me you probably ate it." The classic Western breed is the quarter horse, so

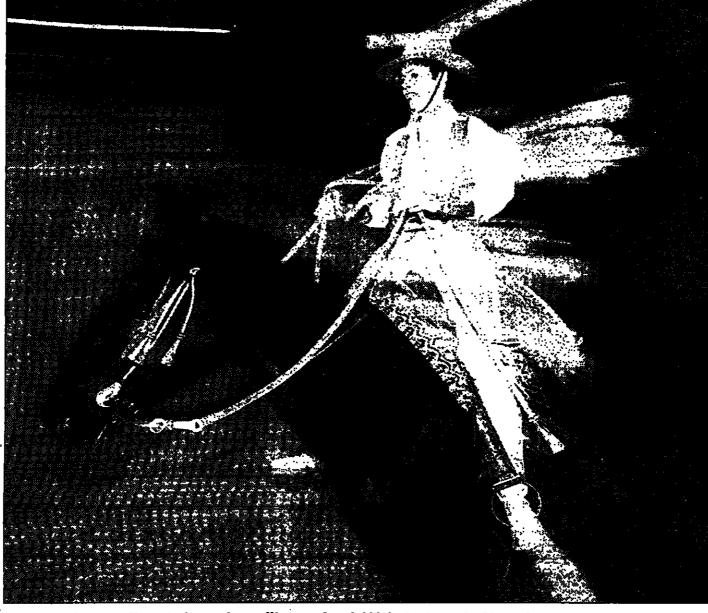
and lightness' called because it was originally bred as a sprinter for quarter-mile races. It is one of the few breeds specifically created to co-

operate with man. The horse Mr Yule has been subduing is typical, Ms Edwards says. "A sweetie-pie face and an apple bum." She adds that the "apple bum" has led to the misconception that quarter horses derive their name from their large hind-quarters.

The other common misconceotion about the Western riding style is based mainly on Western films (one of the few good exponents of the Western riding style in movies is, apparently, Clint Eastwood). Mr Yule, however, says there is surprisingly little difference be-tween the Western and "English"

horsemanship." he says. In Western riding the hands are, perhaps, held slightly further apart: the body is kept slightly less upright: and the voice is used more. But the Western film image of the cowboy

styles. "Good horsemanship is good



At home on the range: Shona Anderson shows off her new-found skills in the ring at the Gleneagles equestrian centre in Perthshire

using the reins to jerk his horse's head all over the place is flatly contradicted by everyone at the dinic. "The main thing is, we stay off their faces," Ms Edwards says. Western riding has only taken off

in a big way in this country in the last few years. While it is now reasonably popular in England, with a number of clinics and shows. every year, in Scotland Western riders evidently still feel themselves to be an embattled minority. Moreover, quarter horses and other American breeds such as Morgans and Appaloosas are expensive to buy over here.

So why bother with Western riding when the style isn't so very different in the first place? One answer is provided by John Robert-son, a pupil at the clinic who is a policeman (though not, to his chagrin, a mounted one). He has, he says, always been interested in the history of the American West. Two years ago, having hardly ever been on a horse before, he bought a trained quarter horse for £2,350 and set about learning to ride it,

Like everyone else at the clinic (which is made up of roughly the

pring is an insidious process:

the change is deafening.

face ritual of spring.

which spend their winters abroad.

We have getting on for six weeks

before the first arrivals: chiffchaff,

But never mind these fair wea-

start without them, as the trans-

formed wood told me. The noisiest

bird of the lot is the great tit: that

ringing double-note is the easiest

call in the world to distinguish.

The call was absent in January:

wheatear and sand martin.

Where to see them

Today Quarter horse clinic with American Quarter Horse

Association judge, Shortwood Lodge Equestrian Centre, near Peterborough (0994 484580). Tomorrow Western Horseman's Association clinic, Zara Stud, near Chichester (0243 641662).

February 22 Quarter horse rally, Welsh equestrian centre. Llanstephen, Caernarvon (0994 484580). March 14-15 Western Horseman's Association clinic and Western show. Zara Stud, near Chichester (0243 641662).

April 11 Western Equestrian Society Western day, Claverdon, Warwicks (0926 842806).

same numbers of men and women) Mr Robertson wears a stetson and ieans.

For the men, especially, one of the attractions of Western riding is that it avoids the formality of the British riding establishment and its pony club and hunting associations. He says his immediate ambition is not to win Western riding competitions number), but to go along to a riding dub that teaches only English style. and show them exactly what a Western-trained horse can do.

Although to the untrained eye the

Western-style training does look a mite cruel, Mr Yule says that the original need for a working horse that was highly responsive and obedient meant that Western horses are simply more highly trained.One definition of dressage is "Any riding that goes beyond

He also contends that a ranch horse has to understand far more than other horses. This is why the training can seem so rigorous.

Squeakings of spring in your face and ears

mere usefulness".

understand what we want." Mr Yule explains. "A lot of the European tradition is redundant. What we have to offer is handiness and lightness."

As an illustration of what the Western approach can achieve, even with English-trained horses, Mr Yule tells the story of a thoroughbred mare that had run over a groom and "creamed him pretty good".

The first thing Mr Yule did was to put the horse in a pen and get it to elate to him psychologically. Then he rode it without anything on its head, taking it to a water hole where it took one look and spun to one side. Instead of resisting, Mr Yule

continued the spin, making the horse turn eight or nine revolutions. bringing it out of the turn facing the water hole. Three more times the same thing happened, until. Mr Yule says, the horse thought: "This is thirsty work. Son of a gun. I think I'll have a drink." "Three weeks later," he concludes, "my six-yearold was riding her with a string in her mouth."

 Further information from the British Quarter Horse Association, 0203 696549

Funny you should ask . . .

A series on outdoor matters in which you ask the questions — and provide the answers.

BIRD FEEDER

Our old wood-and-wire bird feeder was demolished by a squirrel, and we bought a tough new plastic model to carry on feeding the hordes of birds that flocked to our garden. However, despite being filled with the same food they found irresistible in the last feeder, they won't come near the new one. The design is very similar — tubular with short perches at the base. Apart from being plastic, the only major difference is its colour: bright green. Could this be either revolting them or frightening them? — M. Spink, St Albans, Hertfordshire

CAT DEATHS

There was a concerned response to Valerie Swingler's request for ideas on why her mother's young cats were being found dead, curled up as if asleep in her garden.

suspect the deaths are coincidental, and due to each having been involved in a motor accident. where they have sustained a glancing blow to their heads. Subsequently there is a brain haemorrhage, and in every case I've heard of the cat is found "curled up as if asleep", but dead. Strangely, country cats are more prone to such hazards than townliving cats. Mrs Swingler's mother might be better to adopt er, rather timid cat as it would be less venturesome. To mark its territory — after the precaution of keeping it confined ndoors for at least two weeks — it is useful to sprinkle litter from its tray around the garden perimeter. Miss P. Goodwin, member, Brighton and Hove Cats Protection

There is one rat poison that causes death by hypothermia — sodium alpha cholorulose. The animal can die in its sleep on a cold night, though I would be from a poisoned rat to kill it. unless it was a small cat. — Mrs H. McGee. Banbury, Oxfordshire.

WATER SNAILS

G.T. Hulme, of Sale, Cheshire, asked for ideas to combat an invasion of water snails in his

Each evening, distribute fresh lettuce leaves all over the pond. In the morning, remove the leaves with a long-handled fishing net. You will find the snails under the lettuce leaves. It has taken more than two years to remove the great pond snails from my pond. You do not get this trouble with the ramshorn snails, which are of great value in the pond. - Dr E.W. Bedford-Turner, Polegate, East Sussex.

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FEATHER REPORT

it creeps up unawares. The best way to notice spring is to employ a kind of stop-frame now the wood is full of it. animation technique. Day by day you hardly notice the rising clamour, the growing urgency. Turn your back for a week or two and I have been away watching the in-your-face rituals of American

sport: this being jargon for a certain quality of overwhelming-Normally, as I say, squeaking. ness favoured by such people as the Washington Redskins' offensive line. I returned home and went to my favourite wood: I was at once assaulted by the in-your-The year is a long time turning. building slowly to the crescendo of

he was implying a double misfor-tune, or simply that the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. May. It is too early yet for the arrival of those sensible birds ther birds. Spring is quite happy to

But let us tune our ears to slightly trickier birds: the secret squeakers of Britain. These are tree-creeper and goldcrest: common birds seldom seen. They do not come to bird-tables, they dislike open spaces, but any decent stand of trees should find them.

Both these squeaks are unbelievably high, and thin. Some people can't hear them at all. Some lose the ability to hear high-pitched noises with age. I remember one crusty old birder telling me: "I no longer hear goldcrests, or women." It was unclear whether

To acquire an ear for the squeakers is a kind of conjuring trick. Hear one squeak, and suddenly these furtive little birds are everywhere. Goldcresis are especially good at conifers, but they can turn up anywhere with trees. and they love the high canopy.

Tree-creepers are a rare example

of a bird with an accurate name.

They almost always do it in spirals.

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These are both niches that keep the birds out of sight most of the time, and one of the reasons why they squeak. They squeak to keep in touch with each other: contact calls, in yet more jargon. The treecreepers' squeak is more sus-



Squeakers: tree-creeper and goldcrest, common birds seldom seen

they creep up the trunk. Both these the goldcrests'. As spring adbirds eat tree-loving insects, and vances, they will add a squeaky song to their repertoire. each has evolved a different technique for getting hold of them. I took my jet-lag and my Goldcrests pick them out among binoculars to this lovely chunk of wood ten minutes from my front the leaves and twigs: tree-creepers from the bark. Two different ecological niches, in the jargon.

door. What a boon it is to have somewhere like that, and so close to the M25, too. The M25 here is not so much a convenience as a veiled threat. This is a patch of the kind of woodland that we once had all over the place. Most of it was clear-felled before the last war, but here, re-planting and manage-

ment schemes have re-created a splendid place, full of oak, beech, hornbeam, birch and ash. And full of birds — getting noisier and squeakier by the day. At weekends, the place is full of dogs and dogwalkers and children, and yet the birds squeak on undeterred.

The wood is a great place for people and for birds. It is the kind of place we should be encouraging, for all our sakes. Instead, we are encouraging roads. Fact: in the southeast alone, 54 roadbuilding schemes put at risk 322 places important to conservations, and 142 of them involve ancient woodland. It is an odd society that prefers pollution and traffic jams to children, dogs and squeaky birds.

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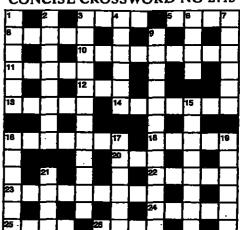
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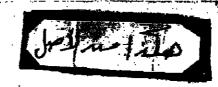
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6.45 Open University: Biology - Body Plans 7.10 Maths; Symbols and Equations 7.35 Bath in the 18th Century 8.00 Earth's Physical Resources. Introduction (88780413) 8.55 News and weather (1029239)

9.00 Getting Through, Second world war heroine Odette Hallowes describes how, despite her gruelling ordeal, her faith in humanity is unshakeable (6705351)

9.15 This is the Day with Phyllis Thompson. From Amadeus House in

Ealing west London, a halfway house for those with mental health problems, helping them to cope in the community (s) (215993) 9.45 Olympic Grandstand. Steve Rider introduces further coverage from France including the men's super-giant skilom and the climax

of the two-man bobsleigh (51981429)
12.00 See Heart Magazine for the hearing impelred (13018)
12.30 Country File. Rural issues examined by John Craven (3138852)

12.55 Weather (90020790)
1.00 News (53511142) 1.05 On the Record presented by Jonathan

Dimbleby and John Cole. The guest is Norman Tebbit (2899974)
2.00 EastEnders. Omnibus edition. (Ceefax) (s) (r)(74535)
3.00 Match of the Day: The Road to Wembley: Desmond Lynam Introduces live coverage of the FA Cup fifth-round lie between Swindon and Aston Villa. The commentator is John Motson. Plus the draw for the quarter-finals, live from the FA headquarters in

the draw for the quarter-finals, live from the FA nesuquariers in London (64879806)

5.05 The Clothes Show with Jeff Banks, Selina Scott and Caryn Franklin. David Beltamy asks the show to rid him of his woolly bobble-hat image; and the difficulties young disabled people face when shopping (a) (2164516)

5.30 Antiques Roadshow introduced by Hugh Scully from the Fleet Air Arm Museum in Yeovitton, Somerset (Ceefax) (524061)

6.15 Play it Safe with Anneks Flice (Ceefax) (967156)

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6.25 News with Moira Stuart. Weather (805239)
6.40 Songs of Praise from Bath Abbey. (Ceefax) (s) (846697)
7.15 'Allo! 'Allo! starring Gorden Kaye and Carmen Sävera. Are Madame Fanny's eyes to be believed when she discovers her daughter in bed with the Führer? (Ceefax) (s) (478535)
7.45 Loveloy: Eric of Arabia starring and directed by lan McShane. Loveloy: s asked to authenticate an oriental terracotta pig but lands up in hospital after road-testing Eric's antique four-wheeled motor-trike. (Ceefax) (s) (749784)
8.35 As Time Goes By. Judi Dench and Geoffrey Palmer star in the last episode of the romantic comedy series. Jean's daughter has suddenly developed a crush on Lionel (s) (750055)
9.05 One Foot in the Grave: The Broken Reflection starring Richard

9.05 One Foot in the Grave: The Broken Reflection starring Richard Wilson and Annette Crosbie. Victor's brother arrives unexpectedly from New Zealand on one of his regular 25-year visits. With Richard Pearson. (Ceefax) (s) (914142)
9.40 News with Michael Buerk, Weather. (Ceefax) (508993)



The man with the hot seat Magnus Magnusson (9.55pm)

9.55 Mastermind celebrates its 20th anniversary. Magnus Magnusson questions this year's first contenders in the Great Hall, Reading University. The specialist subjects are children's literature since 1850, the second world war in Asia and the Pacific, Greek mythology and Louis Armstrong (221546)
10.25 Everyman: God's Girls. The story of a religious congregation of women in a small town in Australia. Magnuss and former members.

women in a small town in Australia. Members and former members reflect on the way things used to be and how they have changed (Ceefax) (294326) 11.15 Olympics '92. Helen Rollason introduces coverage of the original

set pettern programme of the ice dance (702790) 12.30am Mahabharat (r) (1278456) 1.10 Weather (4759369)

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6.30 Open University: Maths Methods - Direction 6.55 Modern Art: Courbet 7.20 Statistics; Fitting the Pattern 7.45 The York Mystery Plays 8.10 Data Models and Databases 8.35 The Message of Starlight (791061)

and. Live coverage of the two-man bobsteigh 9.00 Olympic Grandsta event (4115535) 9.45 Town Portraits. John Grundy explores Barnard Castle, County

Durham (r) (5042871) .
9.55 Open University: Motion — Newton's Laws 10.20 Society and social science 11.10 Open Forum Magazine 11.35 Running the

Country: TV the Global Impact (97631968)

12.00 Olympic Grandstand. The conclusion of the men's super-G and men's K120 ski-jumping (742054)
3.00 Film: A Distant Trumpet (1964) starring Troy Donahue and Suzanne Pleshette. Lively but weakly-cast cavalry western which ended the career of its distinguished 77-year-old director, Raoul

Walsh (27428055) ion Now. A film by Hugarian animator Cako Ference 4.50 Anima

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5.00 Rugdy Special, Chris Rea introduces coverage of yesterday's France v England and Ireland v Scotland matches (2516)
6.00 Otympics Today, Highlights of the day's events (306887)
6.35 The Money Programme. A report on the possible merger of British Airways, KLM and North West Airlines, including an interview with Sir Colin Mershall, BA's chief executive, who talks about his company's future. Among others taking part are Bernard Attill, chairman of Air France, Al Checchi, chairman of North West Airlines, Mr Kalakowski, head of sales and marketing for Detta, and congressman Jim Oberstar, chairman of the American Congress Air sub-committee (467622).
7.15 The Natural Woold: Land of Wild Freedom. A celebration of the

7.15 The Natural World: Land of Wild Freedom. A celebration of the North York Moors National Park on its 40th anniversary, narrated

North York Moors National Park on its 40th anniversary, narrated by Fred Trueman (s) (800968).

8.05 Goodbye Comrades. Second of two programmes revisting citizens of the former Soviet Union who were first filmed seven years ago for the series Comrades. (Ceefax) (243790).

8.55 Trying Times: Moving Day staming Candice Bergen and Keanu Reeves. Barbara decides it is time to move on after living in the

Reeves. Barbara decides it is time to move on after living in the same house for 20 years (844448)

9.25 Did You See...? presented by Jeremy Paxman. The Lost Language of Cranes, Taggert and Evening Shade are discussed by novelist David Lodge, barrister Helena Kennedy, QC, and comedian Simon Fenshawe. Plus a report from Tony Stattery on the Monte Carlo television festival (s) (370264)

10.00 Screen Two: The Object Of Beauty

© CHOICE: Two hot names from Hollywood, John Malkovich and Andie McDowell are imported for a drama from writer-director.

Andie McDowell, are imported for a drama from writer-director Michael Lindsey-Hogg which receils Oscar Wilde's definition of a cynic as a person who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing. Malkovich and McDowell play an American couple holed up in an expensive London hotel. A business deal has collapsed, the hotel bill is mounting and they haven't a dollar to rub

together. Their only way out is to sacrifice art for expediency and sell a bronze head by Henry Moore. Lindsay-Hogg uses the sculpture to explore the couple's relationship and to spin a subplot around a deaf-mute chambermaid (Rudi Davies) who is the only character to see the bronze for its intrinsic quality. The story takes a fair bit of swallowing but it moves briskly and Malkovich's laid-back sub-method style is consistently watchable (308239)



Dancing to a different tune: Teri Garr and Raul Julia (11.40pm)

11.40 Film: One From The Heart (1982) starring Frederic Forrest and Teri Garr. Elaborately staged but soutless romantic fantasy about a feuding couple who celebrate their lifth anniversary by finding partners elsewhere. Directed by Francis Ford Coopola (455871). Ends at 1.30am

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6.00 TV-am (9412245) 9.25 Disney Club (7202581) 10.45 Link. Should non-disabled comedians make jokes about

disability? With French and Saunders, Peter Cook and Dudley Moore (Ceelax) (1482239) 11.00 Morning Worship from Ballywillan Presbyterian Church, Portrush,

County Antrim (95516)

12.00 Encounter Whier and broadcaster Indarjit Singh reveals what it

means to be a Sikh in Britain today (21326) 12.30 LWT News Weekend. Includes an interview with Neil Kinnock (3236448) 12.55 LWT Weather (90022158)

1.00 News and weather (15472005) 1.10 Walden Brian Walden talks to Labour's deputy leader Roy

Hattersley (s) (5533559)

2.00 Sharp's Funday! Pat Sharp introduces an episode of Batmen and Wrestling from America (7624448)
2.55 Dinosaurs. Prehistoric fun (s) (2224974)

3.25 Film: The Assist Underground (1985) starring James Mason.

Muddled wartime adventure based on the true story about the
monks of Assist who hid Jewish refugees and helped them to escape. Directed by Alexander Ramati. (Oracle) (64770581) 5.30 Bullseye. Darts and general knowledge game (790) 6.00 Hannah Hauxwell — Innocent Abroad

 CHOICE: Until television made her into a national celebrity, Hannah Hauxwell lived an isolated life in the Yorkshire Dales without the comforts of electricity or running water. Now a perky 65-year-old, she has made her first trip outside the British isles. A film crew went with her. The programme is at pains to draw the parallel between Hauxwell and the spinster ladies of Victorian Britain, with innocence as the key word. Tonight we follow her by train and boat to Parie, a little white-haired figure doing the sights and offering her thoughts to an off-screen voice (603)

6.30 News with Ed Stourton. Weather (484055) 6.35 LWT News

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6.40 Appeal. Ruth Madoc appeals on behalf of the Association for

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6.45 Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits Huntingdon. Among the people he meets are the prime minister John Major and his wife Norma (Oracle) (466790)
7.15 You've Been Framed! With Jeremy Beadle (463603)
7.45 The Darling Buds of May: Stranger at the Gates. Primrose is still looking for a way to the Reverend Candy's heart. (Oracle) (s)

8.45 Maigret. A burglar stumbles on a body which puts him off his job and Magret on the case (Oracle) (519516) 9.45 News with Ed Stourion. Weather (592332) 10.00 LWT Weather



Redundant spies: John Standing and Tom Conti (10.05pm)

10.05 Old Boy Network ● CHOICE: John Standing and Tom Conti star in a spy spoof based on the premise that with the end of the cold war the espionage business is in the doldrums and secret agents are not exactly in demand. Standing has retired from MI5 and at a loose exactly in demand. Standing has retired from MI5 and at a loose end. Conti, who was his fag at school, is just back from the former Soviet Union to which he defected ten years before. They decide, much against their respective judgments, to go into business together. The big surprise about this amiable but, on the early evidence, not overwhelmingly funny show is that it is written by Dick Clement and lan La Frenais (750429)

10.35 The South Bank Show: Pet Shop Boys. Neil Tennant and Chris I was talk to Meham Brance shout their music (a) (545607)

Lowe talk to Melvyn Bragg about their music (s) (545697) 11.35 Hooked! The fourth of six programmes about drugs in the 1990s (241719) 12.05em Cue the Music. With rock bend Magnum (s) (6842104)

1.15 The ITV Chart Show (s) (r) (566359)

2.10 Film: Wacko (1981) starring George Kennedy and Stella Stevens.
Feeble spoof about a policeman on the trail of a serial killer.
Directed by Greydon Clark (890814)

3.50 Pick of the Week (r) (38068727) 4.20 Adventure (9999982)

5.00 Soap (r) (45920) 5.30 ITN Morning News (90307). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport (r) (29158) 7.00 Eureeka's Castle (98603) 7.30 Starstreet (7074264) 7.55 The Wild Bunch (7986055) 8.25 Ramona (8685968) 8.55 Little Rosey (s) (4363790) 9.25 The Sword of Tipu Suitan, Indian drama serial. In Hindustani with

English subtitles (1700603) 10.00 Dispatches. A report on a drug to relieve Aids that seems to be

McWest (r) (50326) 1.00 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea. Underwater adventure series (32974)

2.00 Opera On 4: Jenúra. Roberta Alexander and Philip Langridge star in Janáček's opera about a young woman's involvement with her two stepbrothers. With the Glyndebourne Chorus and the London Philharmonic Chorus under Andrew Davies, Sung in Czech with English subtitles. Directed by Nikolaus Lenhoff (s) (58485326)

4.10 From Flores. Canadian animation (6314603) 4.25 Valued Opinion. The Victorian Punch cartoonist, Linley Samboume's house is explored by antiques expert Max Robertson

and Sotheby's John Culme (8704516)

4.55 News and weather (5402061)
5.00 Scottish Eye: The Cost of a Ship. A report on the thousands of former Glasgow shipyard workers who are at risk from an account of the contract with the contract wi inoperable form of cancer due to their years of contact with asbestos (8177) 5.30 Star Che

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O CHOICE: A new series devised with half an eye on the general election ats politicians in a bare studio and subjects them to questioning by a computer. The first subject is Roy Haltersley and unless there has been some surreptitious editing one has to say that he gives a most accomplished performance, spontaneous, fluent and writy. The range of questions is deliberately catholic, embracing the seriously political (why has Labour lost three elections?), the potentially embarassing (when was your first sexual experience?) and the utterly trivial. The last category gives Hattersley the chance to enthuse over Len Hutton, Eric Morecambe and the Andrews Sisters, all of whom are recalled on film. The show is high on entertainment value and as a vote
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6.30 The Wonder Years. Nostalgic look at young American life in the 1960s. Kevin is picked as captain of the football team (697)
7.00 Fragite Earth: The Grey Seal. To conservationists they are a precious species deserving protection but to lishermen they are vermin and they are calling for a cull to prevent the seals from destroying issh stocks (Teletext) (s) (8239)
8.00 Whicker's World — Down Under. Alan Whicker meets some of the micrants from British with stone famed suppose in the cure.

8.30 On The Edge: Improvisation in Music. Tonight's programme features the work of Max Roach who teaches Harlem children to improvise in jazz; Butch Morris who invented "conduction", and Sang Won Park who updates ancient Korean music (s) (76289)

9.30 Rumina Roach Inchetos Dated Malonia on Martin Sources 3. Burning Books. Includes Derek Malcolm on Martin Scorsese. A Journey; and Tony Banks, MP, and Peter Clarke discussing The End of History and the Last Man by Francis Fukuyama (51055)



We're all out brothers: Peter Sellers as Fred Kite (10.00pm)

10.00 Film: I'm All Right Jack (1959, b/w). Peter Sellers in one of his finest roles as a blustering union boss who harasses the management and provokes a strike. With Irene Handt, Terry-Thomas and John Le Mesurier. Directed by John Boulting. 12.00 Film: Sonatine (1984). Delicate exploration of female adolescent suicide. Directed by Micheline Lanctot. A French-Canadian film

with English subtitles (763814). Ends at 1.40am

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6.15 Columbo Goes To College (1991): With the man in the drifty raincost (251535) 8.15 Sweethearts Dance (1989): Comedy-drams (53828905) 10.05 The Guerdian (1890): Creepy horror story starting Jenny Sasgrove (216784) 11.40 Conta (1978) Aledical suspense-drams starting Michael Douglas (175805) 1.55em Farme (1890): Alan Parker's drams about a stage school (61315679) 3.50 The Heuriting Of Sarah Hardy: A weelthy herest is driven to the brink of insanity by the appearance of her deed mother (4242545). Ends at 5.20

THE COMEDY CHANNEL

 Via the Astra sateRite.
 4.00pm Film. Mr Billion (982) 6.00 Car 54, Where Are You? (4429) 6.30 The Monikees (5581) 7.00 in Living Color (7887) 7.30 The Goodies (7883) 8.00 The Comedy Company (93061) 9.00 The Sunday Comics (17697) 10.00 Moonlighting (10784) SKY SPORTS

ay mad mour sulu Alan Kerth with Your Mundred Best Tunes 10.00 Radio 2 12.05am Gyles Brandreth 1.00 Ellia Hell with Night Filde 3.00-4.00 A Little

a Winner Vote for your favourite music on 0345 90993 2.00 Sport: And Now Read On 2.30 Football Extra. Live commentary on an FA Cup lith-round match 5.00 Olympic Report 5.10 Both Hatten Rartle 8.00 Sports Bulletin 6.05 Mission Investigates. The Extinction of the Onossurs 6.30 The Reitway Children Second epision of a four-part dramatisation by Marcy Nathan of E. Nesbit is classic children's tale? 00 Sports Bulletin 7.10 Open University. Arts. Review 7,30 Sounds Technical 7.50 Lord Briggs on Hastery 8.10 Creativity in Management 8.50 Linderstanding Modern Societies 9,10 Pope's Essay on Man 9.30 Culture and Conflict Jovs and Christians in Remaissance Venice 10,00 Chrimpic Report 10.15 Across the Line, incl. 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10am News. Sport 12.10 Close

10.00 Dinner At Eight (1990): Remeise of the (87622) 11.00 British Rugby League (72968) Tournement (88332) 10.00 Longitude (820185) 1.00am Cricket — World Series Cup (16104) (44332) 10.30 Matchroom Pro Box (42790) 12.30pm Forte Snoker League 1992 group of travellers are trapped in an isolated

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• Vis the Astra setellite.

12.00 Energn O'Toole (13582) 12.30pm McKeever and the Colonel (21953) 1.00 Seints and Sinners (9785326) 1.55 Power letts USA (7017719) 2.50 Spain Spain International Cutane (2284413) 3.05 He Shoots, He Scores (7195897) 4.00 The Great American Gemestiows (97018) 5.30 Fashion File (5516) 6.00 The Self-Avision Shooping Programme (465797) 10.00 Juliebox Musc Videos (7371933) 2.00 Last Juliebox Dence (22214)

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather 💃 7.00 Morning Concert: Dunstable (Veni Sancte Spiritus); Byrd (Fantasia in A); Biber (Sonata IV in D)

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert cont:
Mendelssohn (Quartet in ohn (Ouartet in E Mandessonn (Cuarter in E.
Ist, Op 12); Schumann
(Adago and Allegro in A flat,
Op 70); Weber (Symphony No
2 in C) 8.30 News
8.35 A Land with Music: The first

of eight programmes about English music in the 18th century. Corelli (Sonata in A, Op 5 No 9: Locates Trio); John Blow (Welcome, Welcome Evr'y Guest: Consort of Musicke under Rooley); John Blow (Voluntary in A: Ton Koopman, organ); William Croft (Hymn on Divine Musick: Nigel Rogers, tenor; Nigel North, theorbo; Colin Tilney, chamber organ); Geminiani

(Concerto grosso in D minor, La Folia. Purcell Quartet) 9.15 The Juilliard Quartet. Bartók (Quartet No 3): Thomson (Quartet No 2); Haydn (Quartet in A, Op 20, No 6) 10.15 Music Weekly, with Peler 11.00 From the Prome 1991: The

Finnish RSO under Jukka-Pekka Saraste, with Olli Mustonen, piano, plays Debussy (Printemps): Rachmaninov (Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini); Sibelius (Lemminkaisen Sulte) (r) 12.50 Reptay: The first of a new series in which Philip French plays gems from the BBC sound archives. Bertrand Russell in 1952 on Lord Keynes and Lytton Strachey

1.10 Your Concert Choice, with O Your Concert Choice, with Paul Guinery: Milford (Suite in D minor, Op 8); Mozart (Soneta in F for two pianos, K 497), Schubert (Gretchen am Spininade, D118); Joseph Heilmesberger (Ballszenen); Alkan (Funeral March on the Death of a Parin); Havin

Death of a Parrot); Haydn (Symphony No 54 in G) 2.35 Lute Songa: Michael Chance, counter-lenor, and Robert Spencer, tule, perform songs by John Dowland, Henry Lawes, Petham Humfrey, John Blow and Henry Purcell (r) 3.35 Poet of the Menth: Tom Paulin reads his own poems

3.45 BBC Weteh SO under Tadeal.i Otaka, with Gwyneth Jones, soprano, pleys Beethoven (Symphony No 1 In C, Op 21); Wagner (Dewn and Stegfried's Rhine Journey; Stegfried's Funeral March; Brumhilde's Immettion. immoletion. Götterdämmerung) (r)

5.00 Listening to . . . Sinckhausen: Michael Hall examines the composer's attempts to mediate between man and the universe through his music 6.00 For Love is Strong as Death:

Readings and music introduced by Canon Noel 7.00 Erich Korngold: The Austrian State RO under Göttfried Kassowitz, Wilhelm Loibner and the composer, with soloists, plays extracts from Korngold's final opera, Die Kathrin

7.30 Sunday Play: Macbeth

• CHOICE: Nige! Bryant's new production will not offend Shakespeare students and new production was not one of Shakespeare students and scholare, Indeed, it will probably please them mightily because the text has been sensitively shaved, not butchered. This is not the first the other but does Described. give the three witches a couple of encores, and change Hecate's sex. But it is probably the first radio Macbeth to carry a credit acknowledging "military equipment and advice". Tim McInnerny's clear-voiced Macbeth is long on dementia and short on warrior status,

and Harriet Walter's Lady Macbeth does not overdo the

9.40 in Time of War: RIAS Chamber Choir and the Berlin Philharmonic, under James Levine, with Sylvia McNeir, soprano; Delores Ziegler, afto; Hans Peter Blochwitz, tenor, Andreas Schmidt, baritone, perform Mozart (Mass in C, K317, Coronation); Hayon (Missa in tempore bell, H00089, Paukenmessa), Incl 10.05 Vienna at War. Austria's political climate at the time of Haydn's late Masses Joachim Piano Trio plays hes (Piano Trio); Shostakov (Trio No 1, Op 8)

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12.00

RADIO 4

(a) Stareo on FM 5.55em Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.30 Weather 6.10 Pretude 6.30 News; Morning Has Broken 6.55 Weather 7.00 News 7.10 Sunday Papers 7.15 On You Farm 7.40 Sunday, incl 7.55 Weather 8.00 News 8.10

Sunday Papers 8.50 The Week's Good Cause: Valerie Singleton appeals on behalf of SOS SAHEL, an environmental development agency working in the and Sahelian zone of Africa 8.55

9.00 News
9.10 Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter from America by
Alistair Cooke (r)
9.30 Morning Service: Mass from
the Catholic Chaplaincy of
Oxford University
10.15 The Accharge Oxyginus 10.15 The Archers: Omnibus 11.15 News Stand: A personal review of the current crop of

review of the current crop of magazines and periodicals with Mertin Wainwright 11.30 Pick of the Week (s) (r) 12.15pm Deart Island Discs: Sir Roger Bennister talks to Sue Lawley (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World This Weekend 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: Clay Jones and experts tackle

questions put by friends of the Chelses Physic Garden 2.30 Sunday Plsyhouse: The Song of the Beltman's Wife, by Julia Stoneham. A marriage sooms under threat, until the wife meets an unusual girl who changes her outlook (s) (r) 3.30 The Radio Programme: in the first of a new series, Laurie

the first of a new series, Laurie Taylor investigates hospital radio (a)

4.00 Analysis: Dukes of Hezard...? In the light of the long wait for even a modest upilit in the world economy, David Walker asks whether we are safe to bank on future global growth and the wealth 11.00 in Com global growth and the wealth it will create (r) 4.47 Golden Oldies: Les Woodland

meets people who have shown that life can begin at 65 (4 of 6).

5.00 News; Down Your Way: Baroness Seear visits Street in Somersat

5.40 First Person: David Mayo tells of an epic trek through Africa (r) 5.50 Shapping 5.55

8.00 News
6.15 Feedbeck, with Chris Dunkley of The Figancial Times (r)
6.30 Present Voices, Past Words: Penelopa Lively talks to Christopher Bigsby about her favourite novel, My Antonia by

Wifia Cather (s) (/)
7.00 Desert War: A Kind of Victory
Mark Laity asks how complete
a victory the allies won in the Gulf war, given that Saddem Hussein remained in power at the end of it (6 of 6)

Bookshelf: Nigel Forde
presents a profile of Fay

Weldon (r)
8.00 The Radio 4 Debates: The
Environment Debate, Brian
Redhead chairs a debate at
the Royal Geographical
Section 1. elety on the proposition th the only way to save the planet is for the west to pearls to the west to accept a lower meterial standard of living. Proposed by former Indian minister for the environment, Maneka Gendhi, and Jonathon Portiti adviser to Friends of the Earth; and opposed by John

Llewellyn, economist at the adviser to the environment secretary (2 of 4) 9.00 The Natural History Programme (r)

9.30 Special Assignment: BBC correspondents report on on of the main topics in this

10.00 News 10.15 Northern Lights Festival: How I Salled Through the North-East Paseage. Oliver Walston steps abourd a

Russian icebreaker for a voyage across the north of Siberia (s) (r) In Committee: Review of the work of Parliament's select 11.30 Seeds of Faith; The Celtic 11.30 Sector of Patts; The Canto Way, From Inns to Edinburgh, lan Bradley explores Caltic Christianity in Scotland (s) 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 World Service (f) Worked

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Vie the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6,00em Balley's Bird (98790) 6,30 Castaway (17210) 7,00 Fun Factory (4184974) 11.00 Hour Of Power (31332) 12.00 Film: Rockin'

SKY NEWS

 Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.00am Showcase (98985) 8.00 Bill And Ted's Excellent Adventure

8.00 Bill And Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989) Teerage comedy about two youths who travel beck in time. Starring Keenu Reeves and Alex. Whiter (2871) 1989): A southern lady and her black chauffeur become unlikely friends (88719) 12.00 Gunbus (1986) Two fugitive cowboys opt to serve in the transhes during the first world war rather than tace imprisonment in the old west (1982). 2.00pm Millentum (1989) Science-Ection tale about a temale freedom fighter (18332) 4.00 The Detective Kid (1989). A teerager becomes a private eye in order to rescue his mother from eviction (9448) 5.00 The Witches (1989), Scieny adeptation of Roald Dehi's novel (245027351) 7.40 Projector (34582) 8.00 Men Don't Leave (1990) When a father des, his tamely lalls apart (37413)

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 Sum Aerobics (59210) 7.00 Fishing The West (5952) 8.00 The America's Cup (16121) 9.00 FA Cup Special (5729) 11.00 WWF Primetime Wristfling (34622) 12.30pm FA Cup 5th Round Live (401061) 3.00 Cincted — World Series Cup (20803) 4.00 Althous (3784) 5.00 British Raighy League Live (70142) 8.00 Italian League Footbell (55887) 10.00 Scottish League Footbell

FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Neale James (FM only units 6.00) 7.00 The Johnnie Walker Brickfast Show 9.30 Dave Lee Travis 12.30pm Pick of the Pops 2.30 Simon Mayo 4.30 The Complete UK Top 40 7.00 Anne Nightingale's Reguest Show 9.00 Andy Kershaw 11.00 John Peel (FM only after 12.00) 2.00am-4.00 Lynn Parsons (FM only)

FM Stereo. 4.00am Barbara Sturgeon 7.00 Don Macken says Good Morrang Sunday Live from Sydney. Australa, with former Wimbledon champion Margaret Court 9.05 John Sachs 12.00 Vintage Years. Desmond Carmiglion with Radio 2 Af-Time Greats 2.00 Benny Green, 3.00 Alan Deli with Sounds Easy, 4.00 Palm Court Time, 4.30 Sing Something Simple: 5.00 Charle Chester With Sunday Sospbox 7.00 Richard Baker 8.30 Sunday Hall Hour 9.00 Alan Keth with Your Hundred Best Tunes 10.00 Radio 2 After Promptings 12 (San Cyster Benedicth 1.00 File Hill with North Rich 3.00-4.00 A Little

News and sport on the hour until 2.00pm, 6.00am World Service 7.30 Sunday Edition 9.00 Johnnie Watter with the AM Atternative (r) 10.30 Education Matters 11.00 Learn to Earn a visit to Motherwell College near Glasgory dealing with the needs of redundant steel-workers 11.30 A Century Remembered: Robert Kee presents a series of ten archive portraits of the years between 1910 and 1920 12.05 Ring a Winner Volle for your favourite music on (0345 909693 2.00 Sport; And Now Read On 2.30

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. 4.30sm. World Business Review 4.40 Travel and weather News 4.45 News and Press Review in German 5.00 German features 5.24 News in German 5.00 Enter From America 6.30 Londres Methic 6.00 World News 6.09 News About Britain 8.15 Letter From America 6.30 Londres Methic 6.00 World News 8.09 Words of Feth 8.15 Music With Matthew 9.00 World News 9.55 World Susiness News 9.15 Short Story Matrimy 9.30 Folk in Britain 9.45 Sports Roundup 10.00 News Summery 10.01 Spence in Action 10.30 in Praise of God 11.00 Newsdesh 11.30 Londres Mid: 11.45 Metapering. 11.30 Londres Mid: 11.45 The Business Newsdesh 11.45 The Busines Science in Action 10.30 in Praise of God 11.00 Newadesk 11.30 Londres Mich 11.45 Mittagsmagazin 11.59 Weather 12.00 News Summary 12.01pm Play of the Week: The Black Prince 1.00 Newshort 2.00 News Summary 2.01 Japan and the West 2.30 Anything Goes 3.00 World News 3.15 International Recital 4.00 News About Britain 4.09 News About Britain 1.09 News 1.00 World News and Business Review 8.15 London Demière 8.30 Europa Torught 8.00 Newshour 10.00 World And Britain News 10.15 Nendain 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 11.05 World Business Review 11.15 Replace A Disc 11.30 Japan and the West 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30em in Praise of God 1.00 News Summary 1.01 Classic Concerts 1.45 Masterbangors 2.00 Newsdesk 2.30 Composer of the Month. Benjamin Britain 3.00 World News 3.09 Worlds of Farth 3.15 Sports Roundup 3.30 Anything Goes 4.00 World News

Via the Astra satellite.
 6.00am Men's ATP Tennis Tour 1992
(25326) 7.00 US Nabonal Horse Show (56644) 8.00 Pre-Olympic Soccer Tournament (16103) 9.00 Pre-Olympic Soccer

■ Vis the Astra satellite.
 ■ Olumn Olympic Morning (43210) 6.30 Ski Alpine (57806) 7.00 Olympic Morning (70245) 7.30 Speed Skating (2176185) 7.50 Bobbelegii (643790) 6.55 Besixton (62337605) 11.00 Ski Alpine and Ice Hockey (39121963) 12.45pm Olympic News (89180103) 3.00 Speed Stating (3254) 3.30 Ice Hockey (420581) 5.00 Eurosport News (4897) 6.30 Figure Skating: Ice Hockey (5057244) 10.00 Olympic Dev (89429) 10.30 Eurosport News (98177) 11.00 Ice Hockey (3264) 1.00 Olympic Night (84712) 2.00 Ice Hockey (91369) 4.00 Ski Alpine (36949) 5.00 Olympic Norming (25104) 5.30am Olympic Surmany (49611)

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7.00 Open University: Introduction to Pure Maths - Symmetry (7851370)

7.25 News and weather (8437950)
7.30 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. Animation (r) (1877776) 7.35 Wiz Bang. Fun and laughter for the young (s) (756863) 7.45 The Jetsons. Space-age cartoon fun (r) (2885788) 8.05 Eggs 'n' Baker. Cheryl Baker's guests include Madness who sing "It Must Be Love" and Michael McIntyre who chais about herbs and flowers (s) (8708863) 8.35 Thundercats. Cartoon adventures (r) (6381318)

9.00 Goling Live! Phillip Schoffeld and Sarah Greene are joined by poet Roger McGough, Music is provided by the band PM Dawn (s)

10.30 Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The line-up is (subject to alteration). Winter Olympics: 10.35 and 11.50 Bobsleigh from La Plagne; 11.10 the women's downhill from Meribel; 12.00 Cricket: highlights of the final one-day international between New Zealand and England in Christchurch; 12.35, 1.05 and 1.35 Racing from Chepstow; 12.50 and 1.20 Football and Rugby Union: Previews of today's FA Cup matches and a look ahead to this afternoon's rugby internationals; 1.00 News; 1.50 Rugby Union: live coverage of the match in Paris between France and England, followed by highlights of the game between Ireland and Scotland in Dublin; 4.35 Final Score (26222824)

5.10 News and weather (7656592) 5.20 Regional News and sport (3754592)

5.25 Stay Tooned! Tony Robinson introduces a selection of cartoons featuring love and romance (2177080)

5.50 Big Break. Jim Davidson and John Virgo are joined by Dean Reynolds, Dene O'Kane and Gary Wilkinson for another round of the snooker and general knowledge quiz. (Ceefax) (s) (832318)

6.20 Noel's House Party. Ciff Barnes (Ken Kercheval) leaves Deli behind and joins in more resistible tun and games with Noel Edmonds (s) (628134)

7.10 The Paul Daniels Magic Show. The chirpy magician introduces Wittus Witt from Germany and, from China, the vase-juggling Ming. (Ceelax) (s) (537738)



A family affair: John Michie and Millicent Martin (7.55pm

7.55 Moon and Son. Ponderous estrological thrifter series starring Millicent Martin and John Michie as mother and son sleuths. When a young woman's body is found in a car belonging to a Euro MP, Gladys leaps into action. The murder trail leads to an infamous

chateau (Ceefax) (s) (403793)

8.50 News with Martyn Lewis, (Ceefax) Sport and weather (334592)

9.10 That's Life! Esther Rantzen and her team tackle more consumer problems and continue their search for a new singing star (Ceefax)

9.50 Olympics '92 and the Road to Wembley. Desmond Lynam introduces highlights from three of today's FA Cup fifth-round ties and action from the free programme of the men's figure skating competition and the women's downhill (96592554)
12.00 Film: Pursuit (1972) starring Ben Gazzara and Martin Sheen. Efficient made-for-television disaster movie about a millionaire extremist who plots to kill the American president and a large

number of the citizens of San Diego (6954993) 1.10 Weather (4782697)

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studio discussion (973196) 6.35 News, sport and weather (463863) 8.50 Young Musician of the Year: Mozart Recital. Humphrey Burton introduces the first of two programmes in which finalists and winners from previous years perform Mozart. Tonight's pieces are the Oboe Quartet and Piano Quartet in G Minor (s) (900496)

BBC 2

6.40 Open University: Mr Gailleo was Correct 7.05 Maths: Symbols

and Equations 7.30 Introduction to Economics 7.55 Rural Life:

Victorian Farming 8.20 Changing Britain 8.45 Probability and Statistics 9.10 issues in Women's Studies 9.35 How Long Can You

Go? 10.00 Working With Systems 10.25 Strike a Light 10.50 insect Diversity 11.15 Witting and Unwitting Testimony 11.40 Genetics: Patterns and inheritance 12.05 From Micro to Mainfreme

12.30 Living with Technology 12.55 The York Mystery Plays 1.20 Running the Country 1.45 Blology: Brain and Behaviour 2.10 Curriculum and Learning 2.35 The Grain Story (96318)

Madeleine Carroll, inventive early Hitchcock thriller, based on the

Ashenden stories by Somerset Maugham, about two secret

3.00 Mahabharat. Episode 83 of the epic Indian drama. In Hindi with

3.40 Film: The Secret Agent (b/w, 1936) starring John Gielgud and

agents in Switzerland posing as husband and wife on an assassination assignment (1096660)

5.05 Late Agein, Highlights from this week's *The Late Show* (s) (r)

5.50 The Survivors Guide to the NHS Debate. Jonathan Dimbleby presents a special Public Eye guide to the NHS. With reports from John Cole political editor, Polly Toynbee social affairs editor and Sarah Barclay, the BBC's health correspondent, followed by a

English subtitles (3386196)

(3549979)

Danger zone: Scott Andrews and Stephen Olsson (7.40pm)

7.40 Fine Cut: Last Images of War

• CHOICE: Another strong entry in the series of feature-length documentaries centres on four victims of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. They were not soldiers or guerrillas but photolournalists, driven to uncover the truth of a conflict which the authorities did their best to conceal, Jim Lindelof was an American paramedic, drawn to Afghanistan by stories of human suffering.

Andy Skrzypkowiak, born in Britain of Polish refugees, was a former SAS officer with family reasons for disliking the Russians.

Naoko Nanjo from Japan was one of the few women covering the war. Sasha Sekretaryov, a staff photographer with Pravde, was determined to tell the Soviet people what was really going en. Filmmakers Scott Andrews and Stephen Olsson piece together the stories of the four through their families and colleagues and, not least, their work. It is a fine tribute, affecting but unsentimental (593592)

9.00 Moving Pictures. Howard Schumen presents a profile of writer/director Lawrence Kasdan, whose Silverado follows this

9.50 Film: Silverado (1985) starring Kevin Kline, Kevin Costner and, as a Limey sheriff, John Cleese. Intelligent and polished western about an ex-convict who joins three men to clean up the town of Silverado. Directed by Lawrence Kasdan, (Ceefax) (a) (95776196) 11.55 Film: Night of the Demon (1957, b/w). Superior thriller of the supernatural starring Dana Andrews as an American occult expert

visiting Britain to investigate a series of deaths. Directed by Jacques Tourneur (265573). Ends at 1.35am

ITV

6.00 TV-am (9445573) outh, Jamie Addicoat welcomes Frank Bruno, Jonethan

9.25 Motormouth, Jamie Addicoat welcomes Frank Bruno, donathan Ross and a 1,000 youngsters who will be doing the National Workout for charity (7/984370)
11.30 The ITV Chart Show. The Video Vault (eatures They Might Be Giants with "Birdhouse in your Soul" (s) (20028)
12.30 McDonald's Child of Athlevement Awards. Andy Crane Introduces the ceremony in which children who have either overcome disability or helped others, receive awards from celebrities including Anna Ford and Matthew Kelly (21641)
1.00 News with Flora Artistrong. Weather (53619738) 1.05 LWT News and weather (5361909)

and weather (53618009) 1.10 Saint & Great/site. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves preview the top matches in the fifth round of the FA Cup and the fourth round of the Scottish Cup (1238347)

2.00 Guernsey Offsitore Powerboats 1991, Action from one of

Europe's biggest powerboating events, staged off the coast of Guerneey's capital, St Pater Port (77405)

3.00 Film: Hector's Brangto (1986) staining Scott Bartia. A lonely young boy befriends a large, scaly creature that lives in the swamps of Australia. Directed by Mark Callen (74655467)

4.45 Results Service with Elton Welsby (4310776)

5.00 News with Fione Armstrong. Weather 5.05 LWT News and weather (7651047) 5.15 10 Sharpl Presented by Passdenas (s) (7640931) ented by Pat Sharp. The guests include the

5.25 Baywatch, Lest chance to see the beetcake and cheesecake parading around the Californian beaches petrolled by David Hasselhoff and his sun-kissed colleagues. (Oracle) (s) (7768963) 6.20 Barrymore. The last in the comedy series in which Michael ymore looks for star turns among members of the public (8)

7.05 Stars in Their Eyes Special. Lesie Crowther introduces highlights of the last two series of the impersonation show. Next-week sees the start of a new series (Oracle) (530825)



Baby bliss: Gutteaberg Selleck, Danson and charge (7.50pm)

CHOICE: For reasons which it will take some future sociologist to unravel, baby pictures were suddenly all the Hollywood rage in the late 1960s. Adapted from a hit French comedy and directed by Star Trek veteran Leonard Nimoy, Three Men and a Baby was one of the most successful. The premise is simple. Three bachelors agree to look after a package for a friend and discover a cradie on the doorstep containing a baby girl. There follow the expected, but still funny, efforts of the undomesticated trio to change napples, prepare feeds and generally keep their young charge happy. Perhaps the idea does not stretch to 100 minutes, which explains the attempt to pad it out with a dispensable subplot about drug iers. (92628660)

9.45 News with Floria Almistrong. Weather (105569) 10.00 LWT

9.45 News with Floria Armstrong, Weather (10559) 10.00 LWT weather (368370)
 10.05 Aspel shid Colembrity, Michael Aspel's guests are actress. Vanease Flettighte's, @CrOlock Live's Danny Baker and singer Mick Hucknall who will be joined by his group Simply Red (846931)
 10.50 Tour of Duty. American tharins series about a group of raw recruits on active services during the Vietnam war (102134)
 11.55 Garas in Roses. The heavy metal group recorded in concert lest

11.55 Gurss ** Notices. The nearly metal group recorded in concert less summer (725979)
12.25am WCW Pro Wriedding. More grappling, grunting and grouning from the glants in America (8263790)
1.25 New Music. Pop news and videos (5026719)
2.25 Bhangra Best, includes the Nachdaar Sensear dencers recorded live at Wolverhampton's Civic Hall (8491790)
2.55 Ceach American general recorded (c) (9026169)

2.55 Coach. American comedy series (a) (8026158)
3.25 American College Football. Arkansas v Texas A and M (6132790)
4.20 The Filt Main and Fler. Pete Waterman and Michaela Strachan introduce more news from the clube (s) (7020968)
5.30 IFW Morning News (77229). Ends at 6.00

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6.00 Aquaman (8592467) 6.25 Dr Snuggles (5719931) 6.55 Once Upon A Time. . . Space (8371196) 7.25 The Complete Skier

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and Lee J. Cobb. Dated wartime morale-booster about a British commando who is dropped into occupied France with orders to prepare the way for an RAF raid on a munitions factory. Directed by John Brahm (8350009)

11.45 Ball of Wall. Animation by Nikolai Serbryakov (4112498) 12.00 Get Smart. Spy spoof comedy starring Don Adams (93370) 12.30 The Beverty Hithbilies (b/w). Vintage comedy (29283) 1.00 Film: The Red Badge of Courage (1951)

CHOICE: Thanks to Littian Ross who wrote a brilliant book about it. The Red Badge of Counage has become the archetypal stick with which to beat a phillistine Hollywood. Perhaps the director John Huston was asking too much of a commercial system to embrace a subject with artistic pretensions and no stars. It was, moreover, offering a bleek view of war when American troops were on the retreat in Korea. Stephen Crane's story centres on a young recruit in the American civil war who runs away from the horrors of battle but later has the chance to receem himself. To play the part Huston chose a relatively unknown actor but real war hero, Audie Murphy. After a disastrous preview the producers re-edited the film, reduced its running time and added a commentary. If not the result Huston intended The Red Badge of Courage still scores with

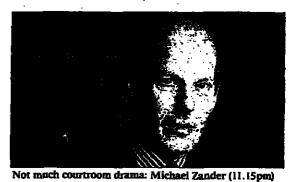
its battle scenes and vivid monochrome photography (7276844) 2.15 Channel 4 Racing from Newcastle. The 2.30, 3.00, 3.35, 4.10 and 4.40 races (76775844) 5.05 Brookside Omnibus (r). (Teletext) (s) (4953134)

6.30 Right to Reply. Includes comment on Priests of Passion (738)
7.00 A Week in Politics. A look at the new EC budget (4979)
8.00 TV Heaven. In the second of the 13-part television archive sense Frank Muir introduces the following three classic exemples from

the year 1963. (867806) 8.05 This Week (b/w). Bryan Magee reflects on the origins of the "new" satire movement with a young Peter Cook, Jonathan Miller, Michael Frayn, William Rushton and John Bird (949660)

8.55 The Lover (b/w). Harold Pinter's sensual drama starring Vivien Merchant and Alan Badel as a married couple. Directed by Joan Kemp-Weich, the play offended a lot of people at the time but picked up several awards including the Prix Italia. (Teletext) (2314776)

10.05 The Avengers (b/w). Patrick Macnee and Honor Blackman star in an early episode of the secret agent series. (Teletext) (1935573)



11.15 Court TV: America on Trial

■ CHOICE: Professor Michael Zander of the London School of ● CHOICE: Processor Michael Zander of the Lorizon School of Economics introduces a series of televised court cases from the United States and uses the American experience to examine the arguments for introducing the cameras into British courts. Most important trials in the United States are now on television. Some, such as the William Kennedy Smith rape case, draw huge audiences. There is nothing as sensational on tonight's programme, which offers edited versions of two trials. The first is of a self-confessed serial killer in Wisconsin. The other concerns a former marine accused of manslaughter. He pleaded post traumatic stress disorder arising from his service in Vietnam. The programme also features a discussion about the televising of court proceedings, with contributions from supporters and opponents, including Janet Daley of *The Times* (212903)

12.45em Film: The Prisoner of Shark Island (1936, b/w) staming

Warner Baxter. Intriguing and untypical John Ford drama about the doctor who treated Abraham Lincohr's assassin (733061) 2.30 The Word (r) (s) (3123993). Ends at 3.25

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5.40 Entertainment Tonight (355944)
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8.00 Sins Of The Mother (1991): A marr's
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7.50 Spotlight (77652)

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3.20 Fall Moon in Stue Water (1988): Gene Hackman in drama about a loser made good by a new woman (789306). Fine at 4.50

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News and sport on the four until 2,00pm, 8,00am World Service: World News 6,08 News About Britain 6,15 The World Today 6,30 Memorg Edition 8,00 On Your Marks 12,30 Sportscalt 6,00 News 6,06 St. C-Sx 7,30 Le Top 8,00 Afropop Worldwide 10,00 Olympic Report 10,15 On The Level 12,00am News and Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT, 4.30am World Business Report 4.40 Travel and Weather news 4.45 News and Press Review in German 5.00 German features 5.24 News in German 5.30 Europe Today 5.59 Weather 6.00 World News 8.09 News About Britain 6.15 The World Today 6.30 Londres Matin 6.59 Weather 7.00 Newsdest 7.30 Report and Politics 8.00 World News 8.09 Words of Faith 6.15 A. July Good Show 9.00 World News 9.05 World Business Report 9.15 World Brief 9.30 Personal View 9.45 Sports Roundup 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Jazz Now 8 Then 10.15 Letter from America 10.30 Wangquide 10.40 Book Choice 10.45 From The Weekless 11.00 Newsdest 11.30 Londres Midl 11.45 Mittagemagazin 11.59 Weather 12.00 World News 12.09pm News About Britain 12.15 Majtetrack 312.46 Sports Roundup 1.00 Newschour 2.00 Club 648 2.15 Personal View 2.30 Sportsword 3.00 World News 3.15 Sports cont'd 4.00 World News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 BSC English 4.30 News in German 4.40 Germen teatures 4.55 Travel News 5.00 News Summary 5.01 Sportsworld: first results 5.30 Londres Sor 6.14 BSC English 6.25 News Summary 6.03 Houte Alduell 7.54 News in German 8.00 World News 8.09 Book Choice 8.15 Londres Dernière: News in French 8.30 Europe This Weekland 9.00 Newshour 10.00 World 6 British News 10.16 Maridian 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 World News 8.09 Book Choice 8.15 Londres Dernière: News in French 8.30 Europe This Weekland 9.00 Newshour 11.05 Worlds of Faith 11.00 Book Choice 11.15 A Joby Good Show 12.00 Newsdesk 12.00am The Kan Bruce Show 1.00 News Summary 1.01 Pay of the Week: The Black Prince 2.00 Newsdesk 2.30 A Modern Midas 3.00 World News 3.09 World of Feith 3.16 Spórts Roundup 3.30 From Our Own Correspondent 3.50 World News 3.09 World of Feith 3.16 Spórts Roundup 3.30 From Our Own Correspondent 3.50 World News 3.09 World News

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Mortson, soprano); Smetane (Sárica, Mé viest); Bertók (Concerto for Orchestra: Boston SO)
4.10 Tuning Up: Chris de Souza tails to the planist Michael Broadway about performing music from plano roils. With music by Moszlowski, Charminada, Casella, Mendelssohn and Benjamin Dale

Dale 5.00 Jazz Record Requests, with

O Königatinader, New production of Engelbert Humperdirick's fairy-tale opera, five from the London Coliseum. ENO Chorus and Crchestra under Mark Elder, with Joseph Evans, tenor as the prince; Cathryh Pope, soprano, as the goosegat, Alan Ople, bartone, as the fiddler; Sally Burgess, mezzo, as the witch; Donald Adams, bass, as the woodcurter, incl. 8.00 Beyond Hansel: Peter Franklin considers the life and career of Humperdirick, 9.00 The Invention of Molther Goose, Marina Warner tailes to

Goose: Marina Warner talks to Philip Brady about fairy-tale

10.20 Howarth's Monologues: The Clear Eyed Virgin, read by Godfrey Kenton. The first of

2.55 America's Top Ten (46993) 2.45
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RADIO 4

file gallery attendants, introduce some of the gallery's exhibits, (s) (r) 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather 6.20 News; Sports Round-up 6.25 Week Ending: A satincal review of the week's news (s) (r) 6.50 Ad Lib 7.20 Kaleidoscope: Conjuring Up an Opera. A report on the Welsh National Opera's preparations for Debussy's Ptiless et Métissnoe (s) 7.50 Classic Serial: Buddentrooks CHOICE: Radio 4's Saturday night family sage spot, vecated by the Forsytes last year, is now filed by

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Week 6.50 Prayer for the Day
6.55 Weather 7.00 Today, incl
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9.05 Sport on 4, with Criff Morgan
9.30 Breaksway: Holiday and
travel news with Ken Bruce
10.00 News; Loose Ends:
Conversation with Ned Shemin
and guests (s)

and guests (s) 11.00 News; The Week in Westminster: Michae Westminster: Michael White, political editor of The Guardian, presents a personal view of the week's political comings and goings 11.30 From Our Own

5.00 Jazz Record Requests, with Geoffrey Smith
5.45 Third Opinion in Glasgow, with Christopher Cook, includes reviews of A Century of Scottish Drawings and Watercolours at the Hunterian Gallery and 7.94% touring play, Jump the Life to Come
6.30 Heydin: String Quartet in Effect, Op 76 No 6
7.00 Königsteinder: New production of Engelinet Correspondent
12.00pm Money Box
12.25 Just a Minute! Nicholas
Parsons hosts the fast-Parsons hosts the fastthinking panel game (s)

12.55 Weather

1.00 News

1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan
Dimbleby is joined in
Portsmouth by Mary Goldring,
journalist and economist;
Michael Howard, MP,
employment secretary;
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broadcaster; and Clare Short broadca: MP (r)

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Gregory Evans (s) (r)

4.00 News; Age to Age: In the first of a new series; Cavid Starley recalls the troubled days of Elizabeth I, while Stan Street looks back to rather more recent history — the first year of the reign of Ouean Elizabeth II

Elizabeth II
4.30 Science Now: A report on the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science
5.00 Second to Nome: The Performers, Sera Parker talks to an escapologist and a children's entertailier (3 of 4)
5.25 A View from the Picor: John Ingamesia, director of the Wallace Collection, and four of

Saturday night family sags spot, vacatad by the Forsytes last year, is now filled by Thomas Mann's Buddenbrooks, the German bourgeois family, whose decline over four generations is being charted over the next six weeks. The job of putting a quart into a pint pot has failen to scispter John Peacock. He is no stranger to this sort of thing, having squeezed the cornicopia of fin de siècle Paris into his pley sequence In the first of four programmes, John Humphrys talks to people who have weathered storms in their careetrs. Bruce Gyngell, chairman of TV-am, lost his licence to broadcast (r)

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Lemere (a) (r)
11.30 The Nick Revell Show;
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Stephen Preston, fluta);
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(Surite No 1: Mirelle Lagace,
harpsichord); Bech (Violin
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8.30 News 8.35 Uister Orchestra under Profinsias O'Durni, with Raphael Wallfisch, cello, plays Parry (Symphonic Variations); Starriford (Insh Rhapsody No 2, Lament for the Son of Ossian); Howells (Fantasia for cello and

Provens (Farmassa for Cano arra orchastra) (7) 9.30 Saturday Review with Richard Oabomis-Record Review Butching a Library, Record Release: Mozart (Duo ne Grant Nesses Mozar (Dub in B flat, K 424 lizhak Pertman, violin, Pinchas Zukerman, violin, Schumann (Papillons, Op 2-Affred Contol. plano: Richard Roelley Bennett (Concerte for alto seventer). saxophorie Academy of St Martin under Neville Mantiner, with John Harrie): Dvorjik (String Quarter in G. Op 106: Chilinginan Quarter): Chopin (Sonsta No 2 in B flat minor; Do 35 Afred Creft period) Op 35: Alfred Cortol, piano); Delius (Concerto for violin and cello: RLPO under Charles Mackenes, with Testnin Little, Raphael Wallfisch) 12.55pm Words: In the second of

four programmes, Naomi Lightman reflects on the use iguanse Summer sen 1.05 Boris Berman, piano, plays Mozert (Sonata in B flat, K 570) Brahms (Intermezzo in Efat Op 117 No 1): Schnittie

(Sonata) (r)
2.10 Rafael Kubelik: Recordings made by the conductor in Munich during the 1960s, and in Boston during the early 1970s. Weber (Overture, Abu Hassan Bevarian RSO): Janáček (The Diery of One

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three poetic monologues by Opus 20 under Scott Stromar Opus 20 under Scott Stromar plays Ruggles (Portals); Nigel Osborne (Esquisses I and II); Berg (Three pieces, arranged for atring orchestra from the Lync Suite); Keeley (Las Agues Carczin y Canten, Opus 20 commission, UK Tramiera); Aprile Prepart

premiere); André Prévost (Scherzo) 11.45 Trio Sonate: Peter Hurford,

organ, plays Bach (Sonata No 5 in C, BWV 529) 12.00 News

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